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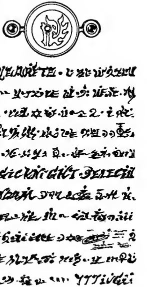
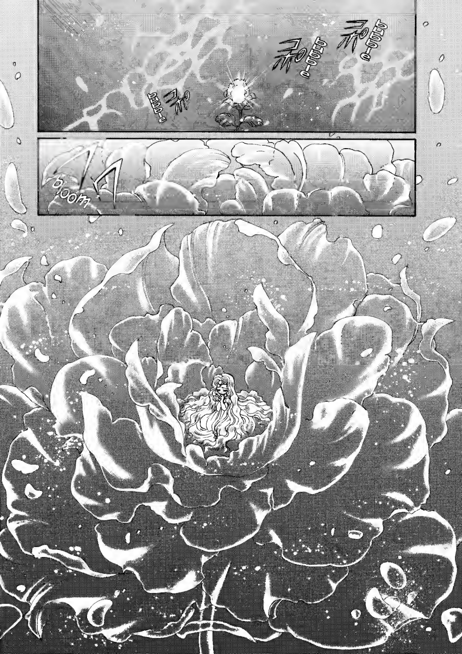
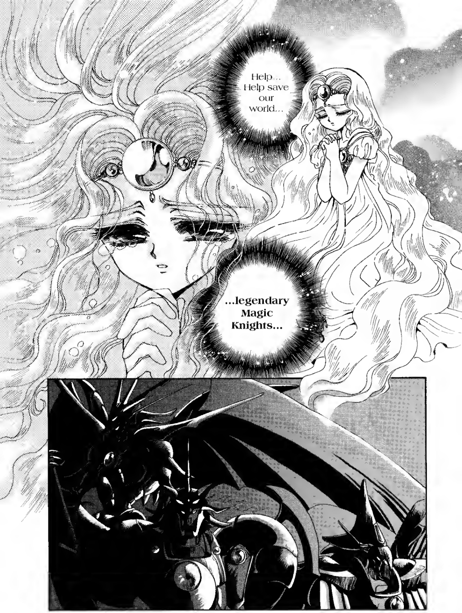
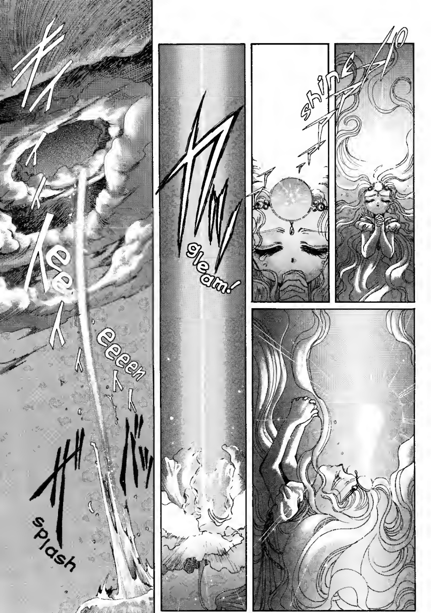
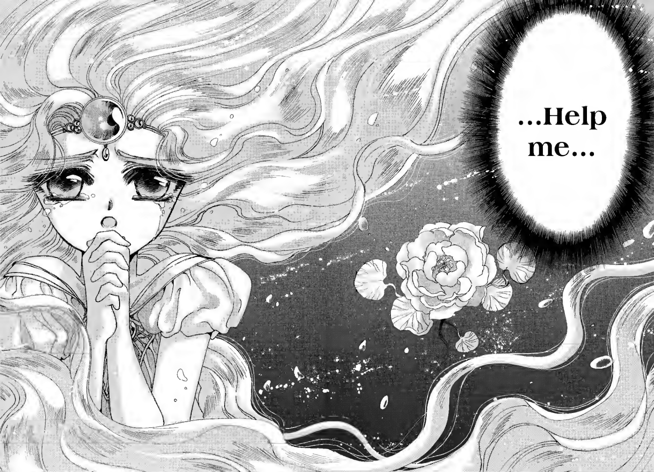


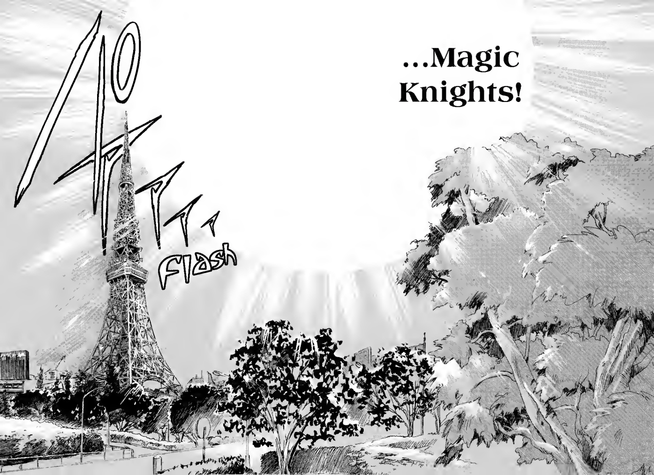


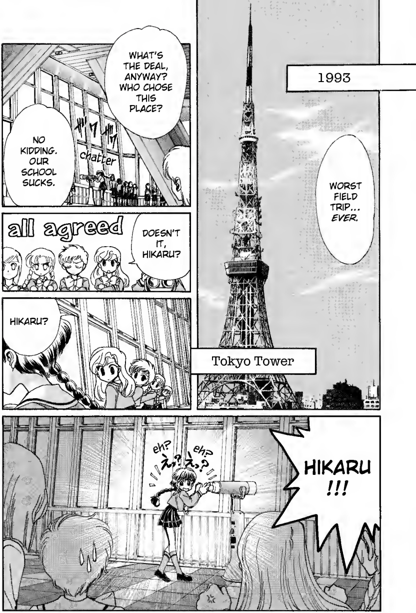
コポ bubble
コポ bubble
コポ bubble
ハァ bloom

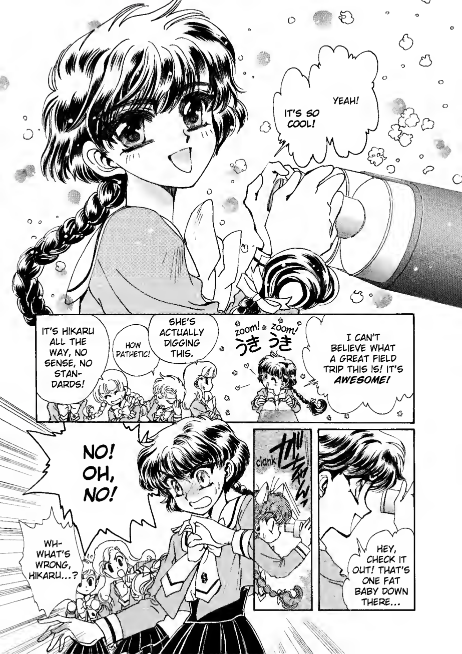

Help... Help save our world...
...legendary Magic Knights...

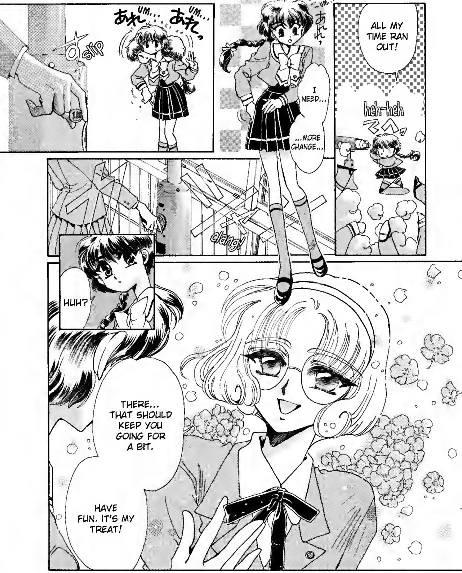

パァァァ
shine
カッ
gleam!
キィィィィィィン
keeeeeen
ザバッ
splash

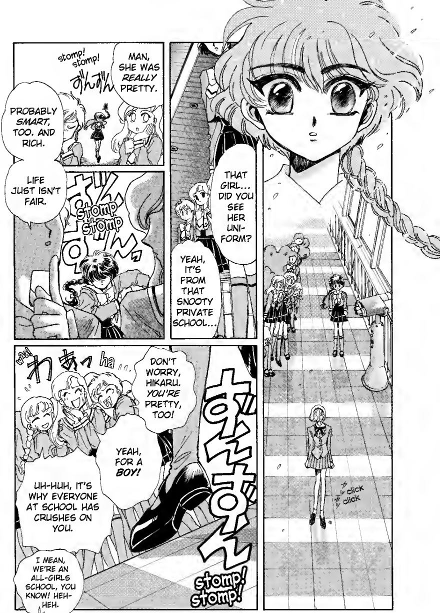

...Help me...

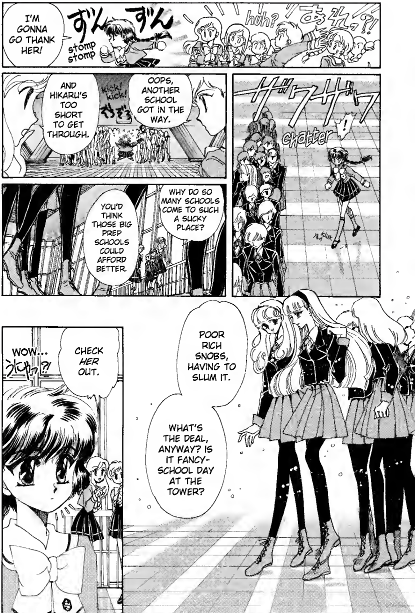

...Magic Knights!
Flash

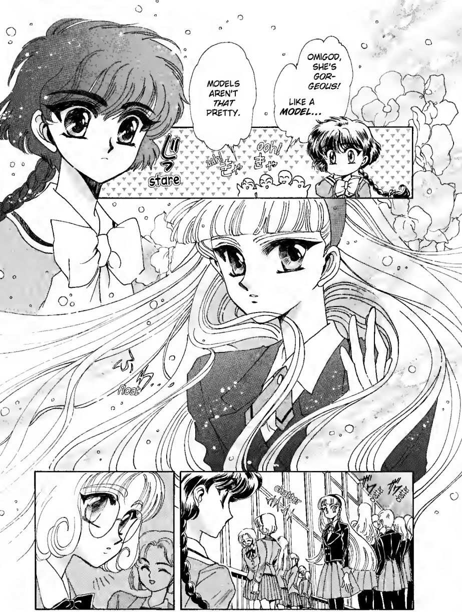

1993
WORST FIELD TRIP... *EVER.*
Tokyo Tower
WHAT'S THE DEAL, ANYWAY? WHO CHOSE THIS PLACE?
NO KIDDING. OUR SCHOOL SUCKS.
ザワザワ
chatter
DOESN'T IT, HIKARU?
all agreed
HIKARU?
HIKARU !!!
えっ? eh?
えっ? eh?

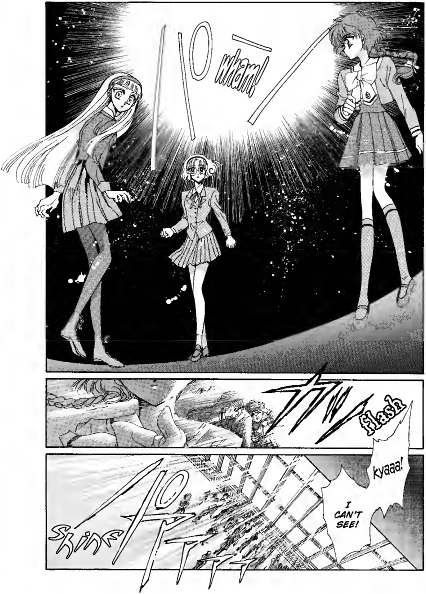

YEAH!
IT'S SO COOL!
I CAN'T BELIEVE WHAT A GREAT FIELD TRIP THIS IS! IT'S *AWESOME!*
zoom! zoom!
うき うき
SHE'S ACTUALLY DIGGING THIS.
HOW PATHETIC!
IT'S HIKARU ALL THE WAY, NO SENSE, NO STANDARDS!
HEY, CHECK IT OUT! THAT'S ONE FAT BABY DOWN THERE...
ガチャン
clank
NO! OH, NO!
WH-WHAT'S WRONG, HIKARU...?

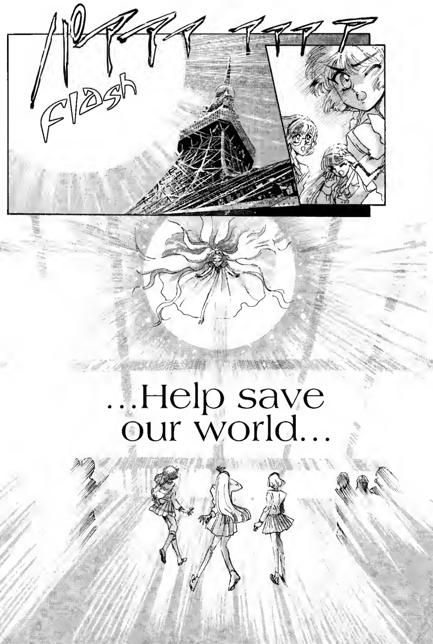

ALL MY TIME RAN OUT!
heh-heh
てへっ
あれれ?
UM...
I NEED...
...MORE CHANGE...
あれ UM...
あれっ UM...
すっ slip
clang!
HUH?
THERE... THAT SHOULD KEEP YOU GOING FOR A BIT.
HAVE FUN. IT'S MY TREAT!


click click
THAT GIRL... DID YOU SEE HER UNIFORM?
YEAH, IT'S FROM THAT SNOOTY PRIVATE SCHOOL...
MAN, SHE WAS *REALLY* PRETTY.
stomp! stomp!
ずんずん
PROBABLY *SMART*, TOO. AND RICH.
LIFE JUST ISN'T FAIR.
Stomp stomp
ずんずん
ずんずん
stomp! stomp!
DON'T WORRY, HIKARU. *YOU'RE* PRETTY, TOO!
wha!
わあっ
ha
YEAH, FOR A *BOY!*
UH-HUH, IT'S WHY EVERYONE AT SCHOOL HAS CRUSHES ON YOU.
I MEAN, WE'RE AN ALL-GIRLS SCHOOL, YOU KNOW! HEH-HEH.


I'M GONNA GO THANK HER!
ずん ずん
stomp stomp
huh?
あれっ?!
AND HIKARU'S TOO SHORT TO GET THROUGH.
kick! kick!
ざっざっ
OOPS, ANOTHER SCHOOL GOT IN THE WAY.
ザワザワ
chatter
!
カッ klak
YOU'D THINK THOSE BIG PREP SCHOOLS COULD AFFORD BETTER.
WHY DO SO MANY SCHOOLS COME TO SUCH A SUCKY PLACE?
WOW... うにゃっ?!
CHECK *HER* OUT.
POOR RICH SNOBS, HAVING TO SLUM IT.
WHAT'S THE DEAL, ANYWAY? IS IT FANCY-SCHOOL DAY AT THE TOWER?


OMIGOD, SHE'S GORGEOUS!
LIKE A *MODEL*...
MODELS AREN'T *THAT* PRETTY.
Ooh! きゃ
aah! きゃ
じっ stare
ふわ float
chatter
chatter
chatter


wham!
flash
kyaaa!
I CAN'T SEE!
Shine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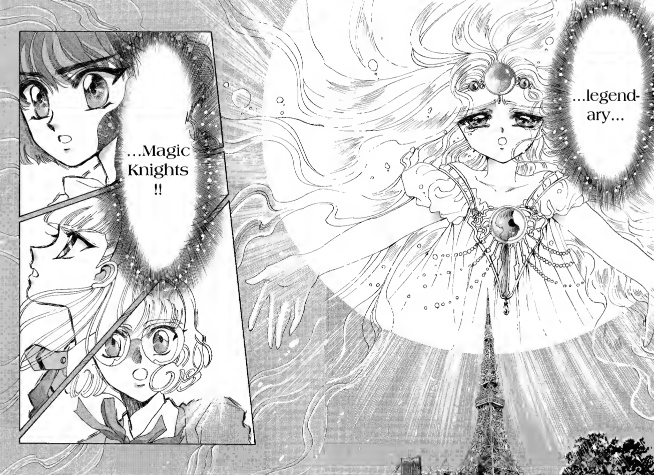
Flash
...Help save our world...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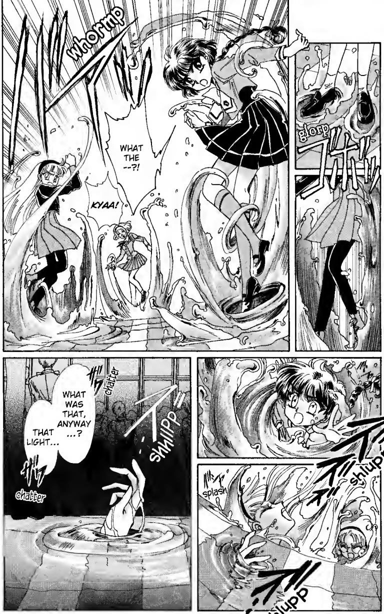
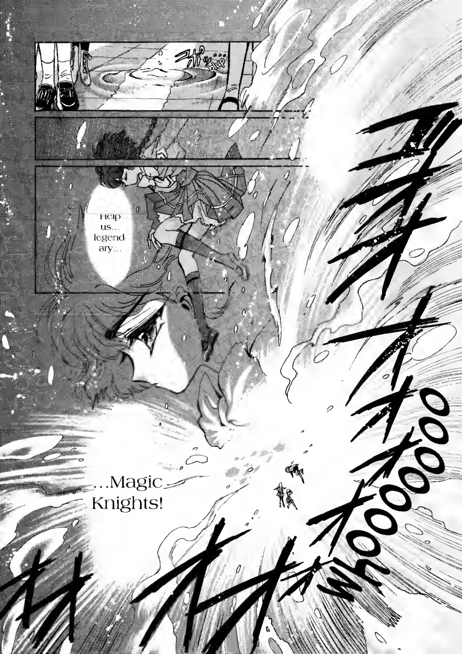
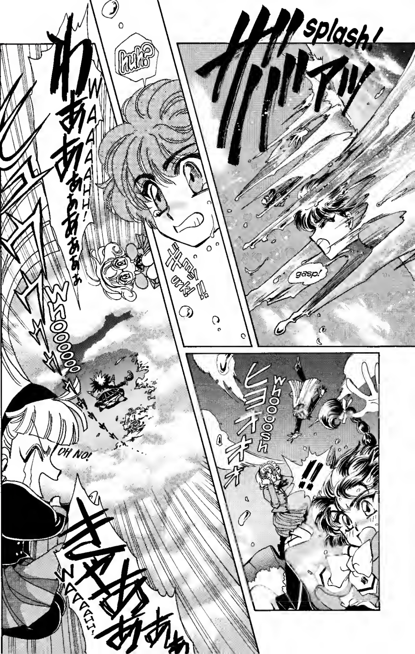
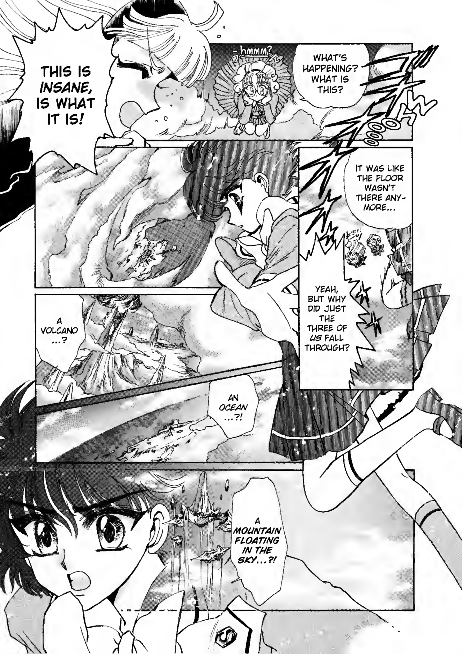
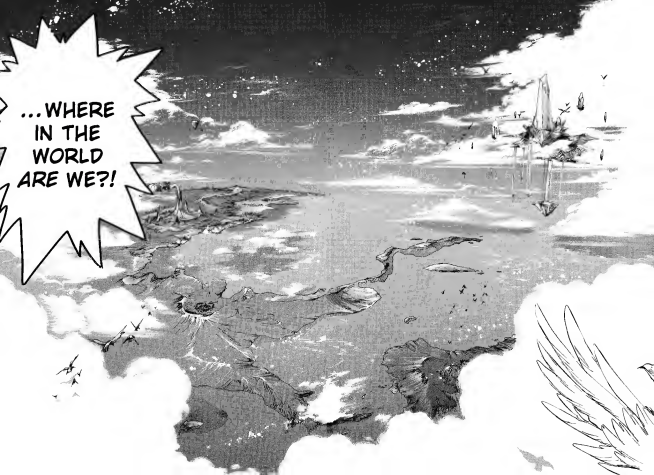
...Magic Knights!!

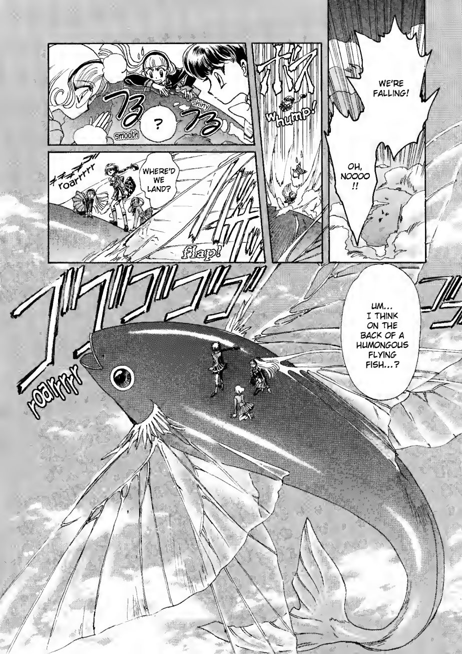

glorp
ゴボッ
whormp
WHAT THE --?!
KYAA!
shlupp
splash
shlupp
chatter
WHAT WAS THAT, ANYWAY ...?
THAT LIGHT...
shlipp
chatter

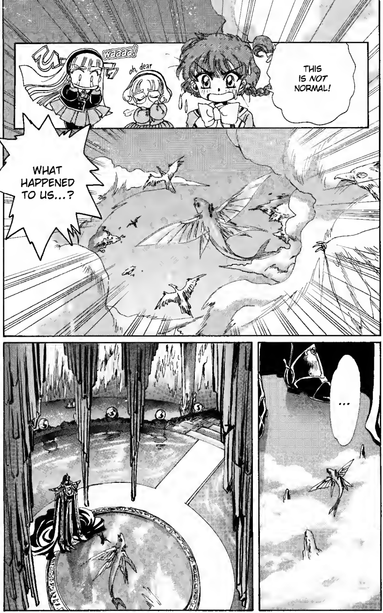

ゴポッ
blup
Help us... legendary...
...Magic Knights!
ゴオオオオ
WHOOOOOOOOO
オオオ

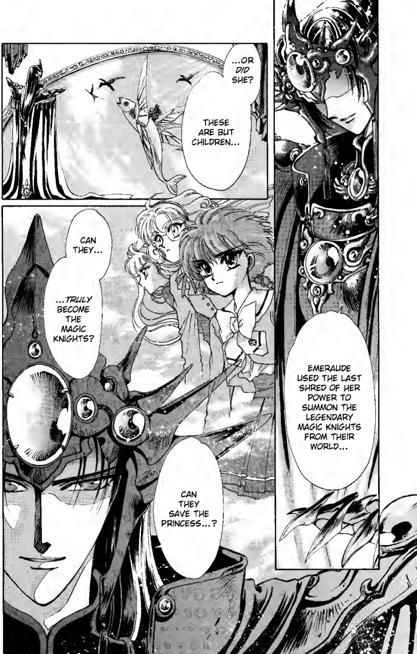

ザバァッ
splash!
gasp!
huh?
ギクッ!!
urk!
わあああああああ
WAAAAAHH!
ヒュゴウゥゥゥ
WHOOOOOO
ヒョオオオ
WHOOOOSH
!!
OH NO!
きゃあああ
WAAAAAH!

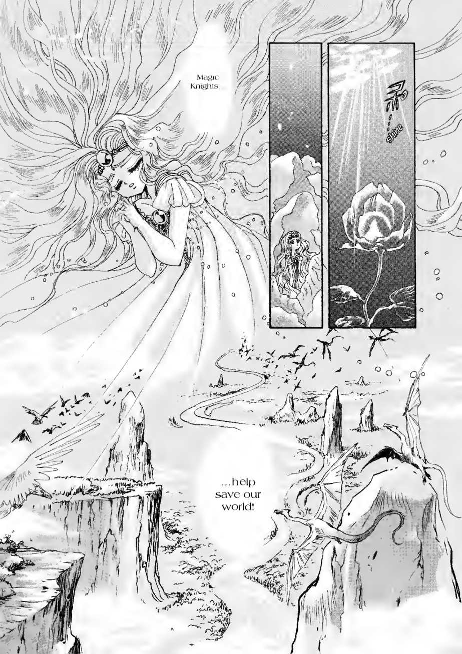

THIS IS *INSANE,* IS WHAT IT IS*!*
- hmmm?
WHAT'S HAPPENING? WHAT IS THIS?
IT WAS LIKE THE FLOOR WASN'T THERE ANYMORE...
grr!
YEAH, BUT WHY DID JUST THE THREE OF *US* FALL THROUGH?
A VOLCANO ...?
AN OCEAN ...?!
A *MOUNTAIN FLOATING IN THE SKY...?!*

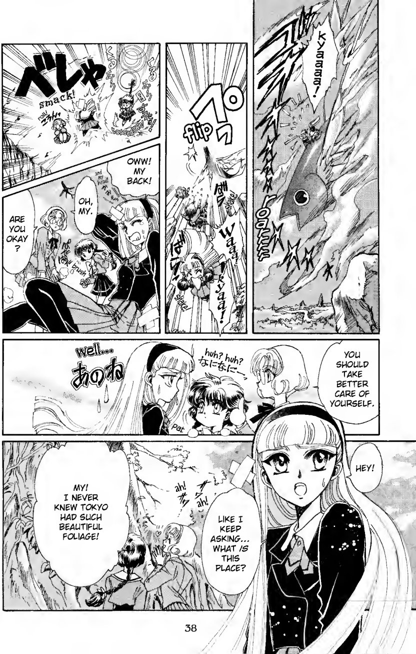

...WHERE IN THE WORLD ARE WE?!

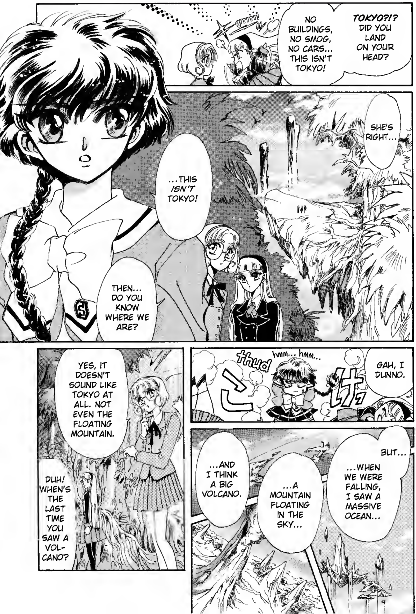

WE'RE FALLING!
OH, NOOOO !!
ボス
Whump!
つる
shiny
つる
smooth
?
ゴゴゴゴ
roarrrr
WHERE'D WE LAND?
flap!
ゴゴゴゴ
roarrrr
UM... I THINK ON THE BACK OF A HUMONGOUS FLYING FISH...?

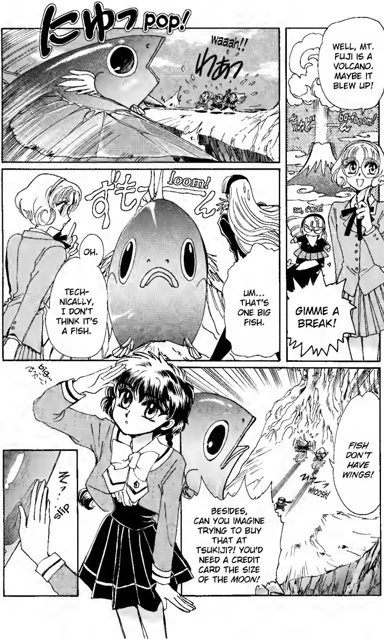

THIS IS *NOT* NORMAL!
oh, dear
waaaa!
WHAT HAPPENED TO US...?
...


EMERAUDE USED THE LAST SHRED OF HER POWER TO SUMMON THE LEGENDARY MAGIC KNIGHTS FROM THEIR WORLD...
...OR *DID* SHE?
THESE ARE BUT CHILDREN...
CAN THEY...
...*TRULY* BECOME THE MAGIC KNIGHTS?
CAN THEY SAVE THE PRINCESS...?

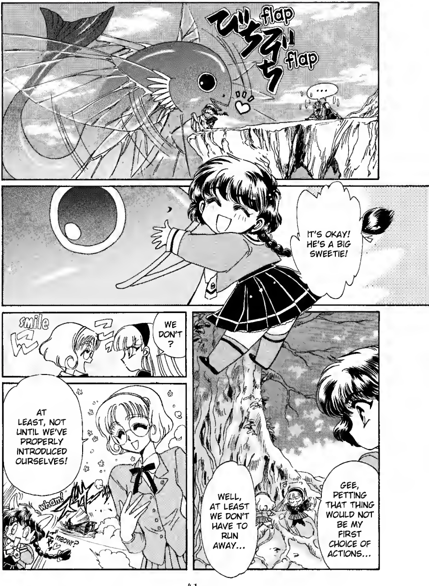

shine
Magic Knights,
...help save our world!

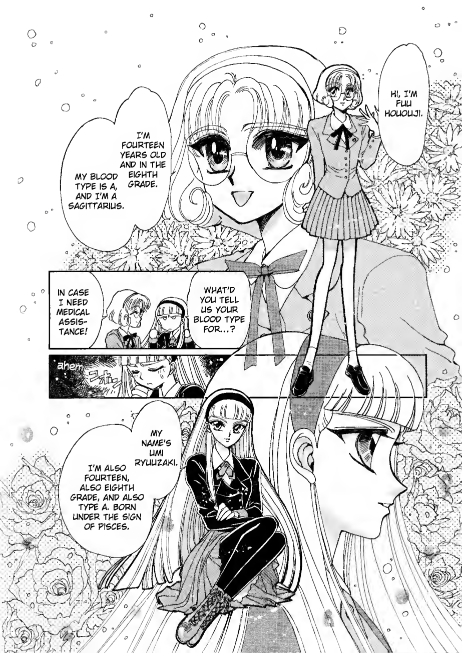

Kyaaaaa!
roarrrr
ペ
flip
Waaaa!
Kyaaa!
shake!
shake!
ベしゃ
smack!
roll!
touchdown!
OWW! MY BACK!
and my head!
OH, MY.
ARE YOU OKAY?
brush
YOU SHOULD TAKE BETTER CARE OF YOURSELF.
huh? huh?
なになにー
Pat
Well...
あのね
HEY!
LIKE I KEEP ASKING... WHAT IS THIS PLACE?
ah!
ah!
MY! I NEVER KNEW TOKYO HAD SUCH BEAUTIFUL FOLIAGE!

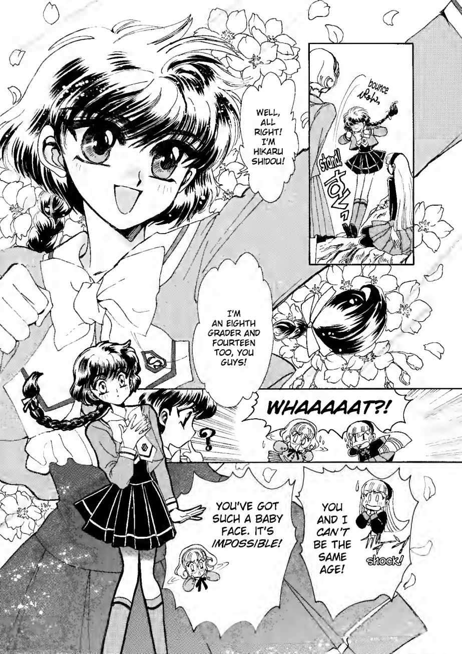

grrrrr
NO BUILDINGS, NO SMOG, NO CARS... THIS ISN'T TOKYO!
TOKYO?!? DID YOU LAND ON YOUR HEAD?
SHE'S RIGHT...
...THIS *ISN'T* TOKYO!
THEN... DO YOU KNOW WHERE WE ARE?
thud
hmm... hmm...
けっ
GAH, I DUNNO.
BUT...
...WHEN WE WERE FALLING, I SAW A MASSIVE OCEAN...
...A MOUNTAIN FLOATING IN THE SKY...
...AND I THINK A BIG VOLCANO.
YES, IT DOESN'T SOUND LIKE TOKYO AT ALL. NOT EVEN THE FLOATING MOUNTAIN.
DUH! WHEN'S THE LAST TIME YOU SAW A VOL-CANO?

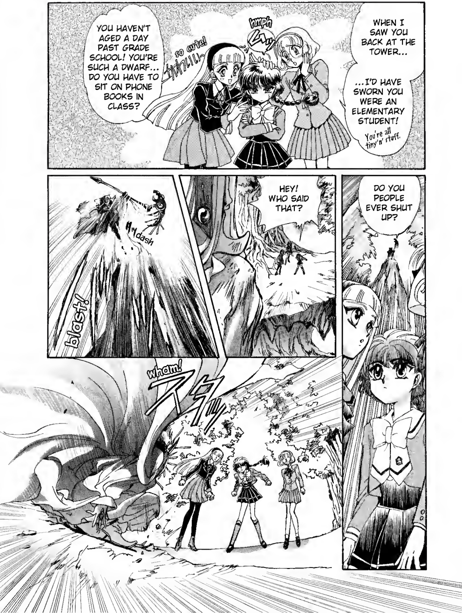


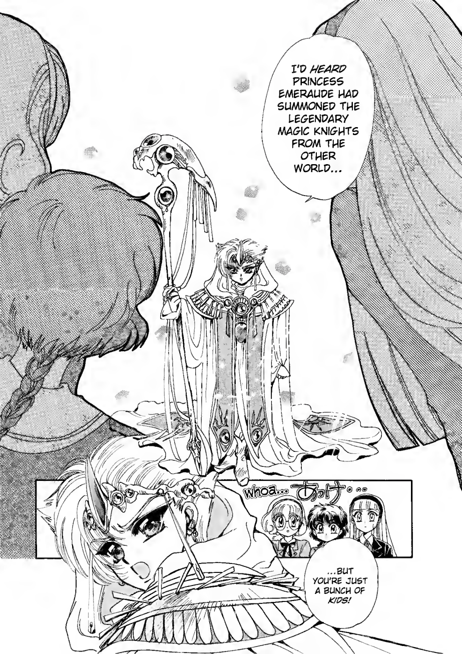
にゅっ
pop!
わあっ
Waaah!!
WELL, MT. FUJI IS A VOLCANO. MAYBE IT BLEW UP!
ちゅどーん
ba-fooom!
aw, c'mon!
GIMME A BREAK!
ずも～ん
loom!
UM... THAT'S ONE BIG FISH.
OH.
TECHNICALLY, I DON'T THINK IT'S A FISH.
big...
FISH DON'T HAVE WINGS!
WHOOSH!
BESIDES, CAN YOU IMAGINE TRYING TO BUY THAT AT TSUKIJI?! YOU'D NEED A CREDIT CARD THE SIZE OF THE MOON!
slip

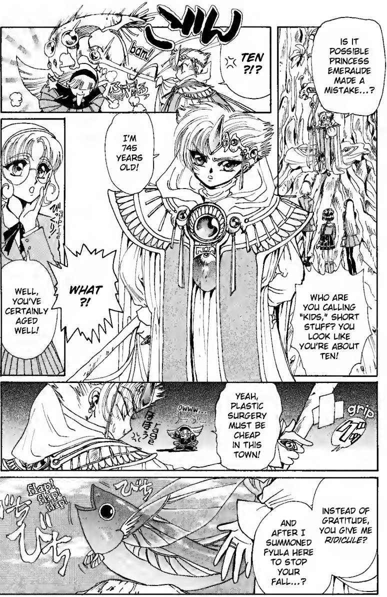

ぴちぴち
flap
flap
...
IT'S OKAY! HE'S A BIG SWEETIE!
GEE, PETTING THAT THING WOULD NOT BE MY FIRST CHOICE OF ACTIONS...
WELL, AT LEAST WE DON'T HAVE TO RUN AWAY...
smile
WE DON'T ?
AT LEAST, NOT UNTIL WE'VE PROPERLY INTRODUCED OURSELVES!
wham!
meowr?

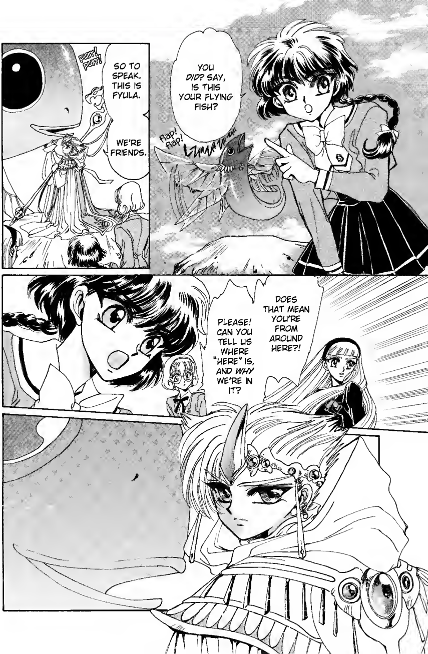

HI, I'M FUU HOUOUJI.
I'M FOURTEEN YEARS OLD AND IN THE EIGHTH GRADE.
MY BLOOD TYPE IS A, AND I'M A SAGITTARIUS.
WHAT'D YOU TELL US YOUR BLOOD TYPE FOR...?
IN CASE I NEED MEDICAL ASSISTANCE!
ahem
MY NAME'S UMI RYUUZAKI.
I'M ALSO FOURTEEN, ALSO EIGHTH GRADE, AND ALSO TYPE A. BORN UNDER THE SIGN OF PISCES.

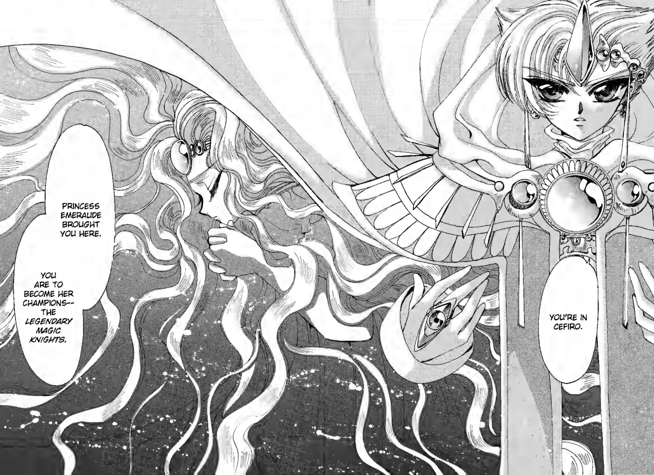

bounce
ぴょんっ
stand!
すくっ
WELL, ALL RIGHT! I'M HIKARU SHIDOU!
I'M AN EIGHTH GRADER AND FOURTEEN TOO, YOU GUYS!
?
WHAAAAAT?!
YOU AND I *CAN'T* BE THE SAME AGE!
shock!
YOU'VE GOT SUCH A BABY FACE. IT'S *IMPOSSIBLE!*

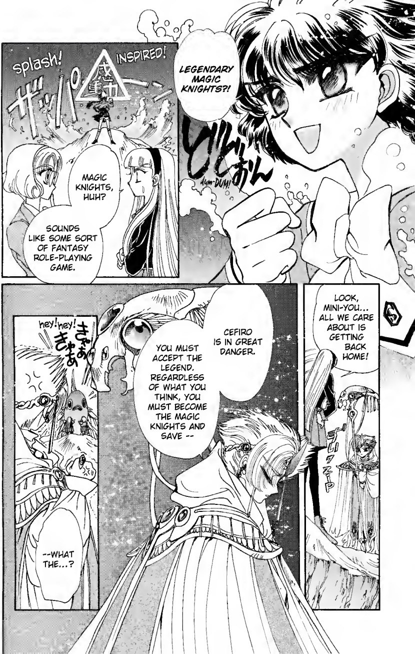

WHEN I SAW YOU BACK AT THE TOWER...
...I'D HAVE SWORN YOU WERE AN ELEMENTARY STUDENT!
You're all tiny'n' stuff.
hmph
so cute!
YOU HAVEN'T AGED A DAY PAST GRADE SCHOOL! YOU'RE SUCH A DWARF... DO YOU HAVE TO SIT ON PHONE BOOKS IN CLASS?
DO YOU PEOPLE EVER SHUT UP?
HEY! WHO SAID THAT?
dash
blast!
wham!

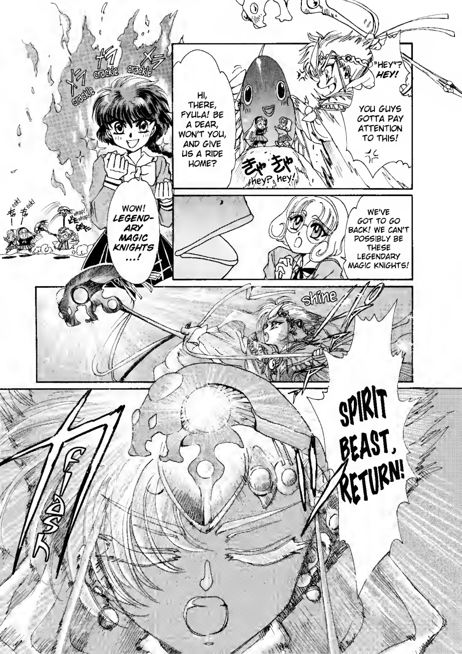

I'D *HEARD* PRINCESS EMERAUDE HAD SUMMONED THE LEGENDARY MAGIC KNIGHTS FROM THE OTHER WORLD...
whoa... あっけ。。。
...BUT YOU'RE JUST A BUNCH OF *KIDS!*

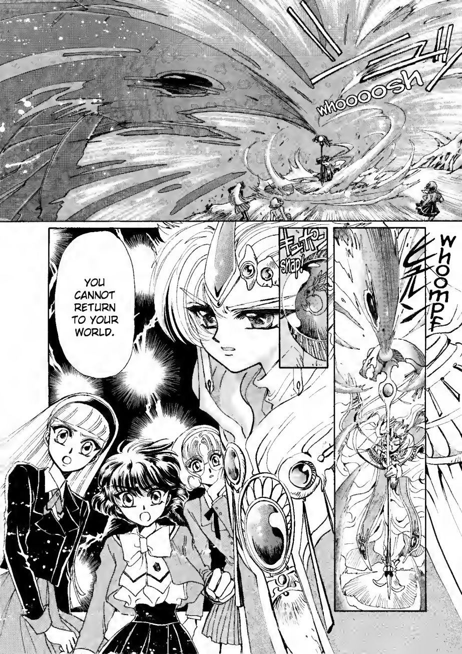

IS IT POSSIBLE PRINCESS EMERAUDE MADE A MISTAKE...?
WHO ARE YOU CALLING "KIDS," SHORT STUFF? YOU LOOK LIKE YOU'RE ABOUT TEN!
TEN ?!?
bam!
oof!
I'M 745 YEARS OLD!
WHAT ?!
surprise
WELL, YOU'VE CERTAINLY AGED WELL!
grip
YEAH, PLASTIC SURGERY MUST BE CHEAP IN THIS TOWN!
OWWW...
rage
INSTEAD OF GRATITUDE, YOU GIVE ME *RIDICULE*?
AND AFTER I SUMMONED FYULA HERE TO STOP YOUR FALL...?
flap! flap! flap!

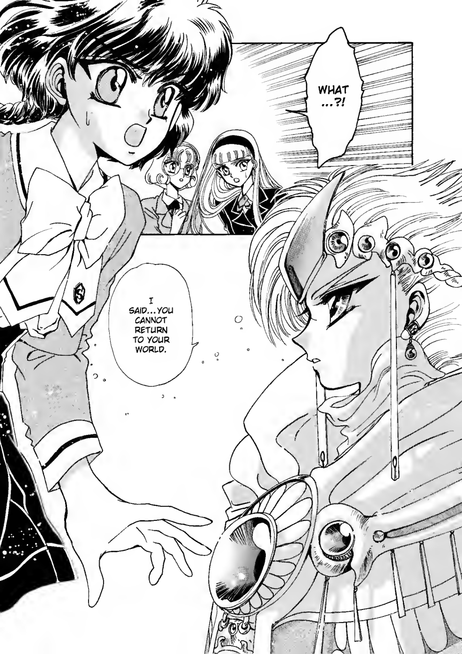

YOU *DID?* SAY, IS THIS YOUR FLYING FISH?
Flap! Flap!
purr! purr!
SO TO SPEAK. THIS IS FYULA.
WE'RE FRIENDS.
DOES THAT MEAN YOU'RE FROM AROUND HERE?!
PLEASE! CAN YOU TELL US WHERE "HERE" IS, AND *WHY* WE'RE IN IT?

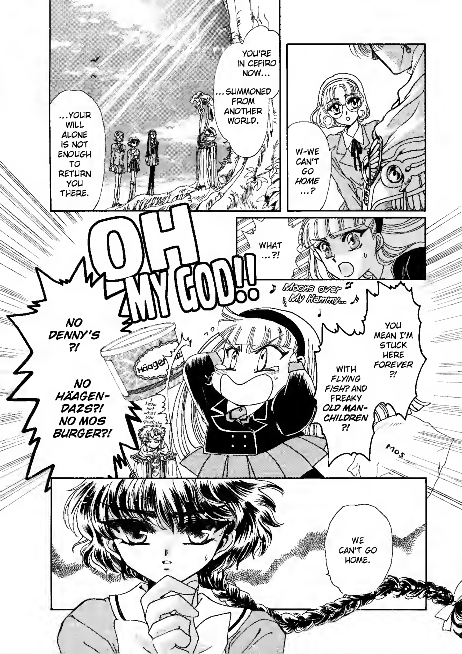

YOU'RE IN CEFIRO.
PRINCESS EMERAUDE BROUGHT YOU HERE.
YOU ARE TO BECOME HER CHAMPIONS-- THE *LEGENDARY MAGIC KNIGHTS.*

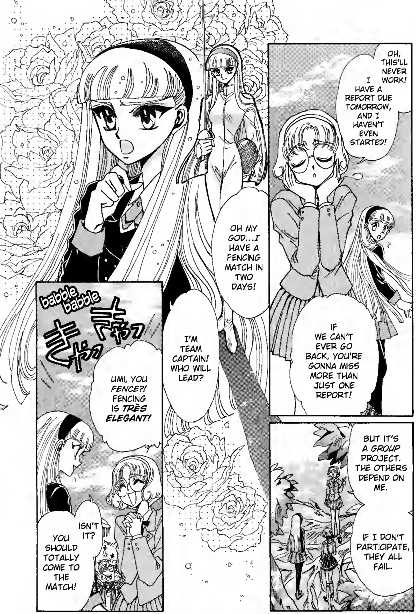

LEGENDARY MAGIC KNIGHTS?!
どどおん
dum-DUM!
splash!
ザッパー
INSPIRED!
感動
MAGIC KNIGHTS, HUH?
SOUNDS LIKE SOME SORT OF FANTASY ROLE-PLAYING GAME.
LOOK, MINI-YOU... ALL WE CARE ABOUT IS GETTING BACK HOME!
CEFIRO IS IN GREAT DANGER.
YOU MUST ACCEPT THE LEGEND. REGARDLESS OF WHAT YOU THINK, YOU MUST BECOME THE MAGIC KNIGHTS AND SAVE --
hey! hey!
きゃあきゃあ
--WHAT THE...?

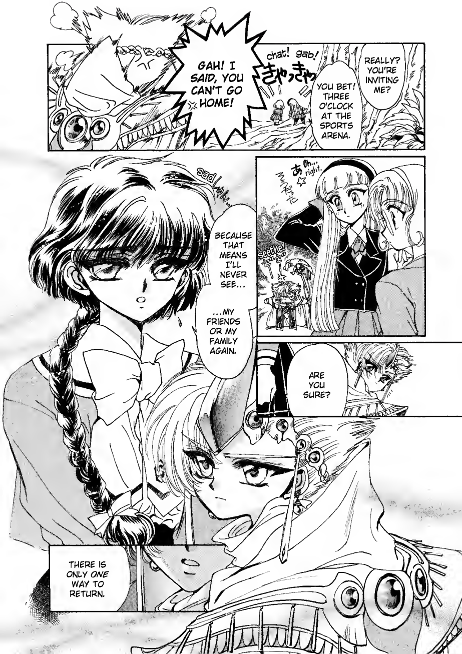

"HEY"? HEY!
YOU GUYS GOTTA PAY ATTENTION TO THIS!
HI, THERE, FYULA! BE A DEAR, WON'T YOU, AND GIVE US A RIDE HOME?
きゃ きゃ hey? hey!
メラ crackle メラ crackle メラ crackle
WOW! LEGENDARY MAGIC KNIGHTS ...!
whap! whap!
eek! eek!
WE'VE GOT TO GO BACK! WE CAN'T POSSIBLY BE THESE LEGENDARY MAGIC KNIGHTS!
shine
SPIRIT BEAST, RETURN!
f-ash

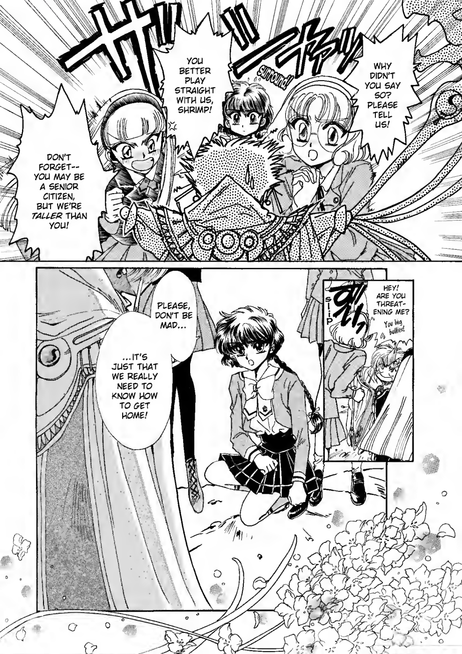

ゴーッ!!
whoooosh
ヒュルン
whoompf
キュポン
snap!
YOU CANNOT RETURN TO YOUR WORLD.

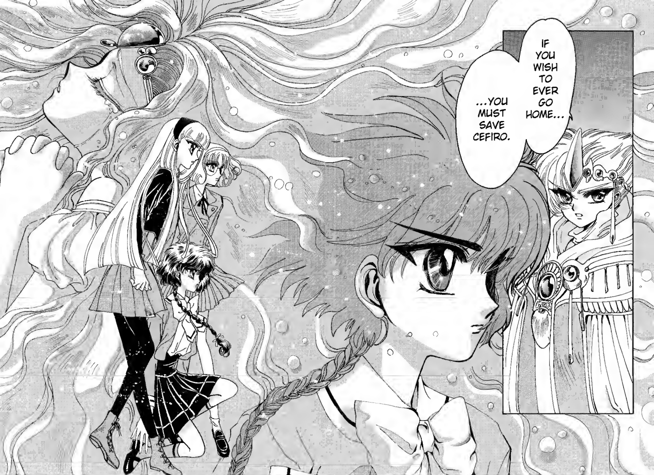

WHAT ...?!
I SAID...YOU CANNOT RETURN TO YOUR WORLD.


YOU'RE IN CEFIRO NOW...
...SUMMONED FROM ANOTHER WORLD.
...YOUR WILL ALONE IS NOT ENOUGH TO RETURN YOU THERE.
W-WE CAN'T GO HOME ...?
WHAT ...?!
OH MY GOD!!
NO DENNY'S ?!
NO HÄAGEN-DAZS?! NO MOS BURGER?!
Häagen
Moons over My Hammy...
I know not what you speak
YOU MEAN I'M STUCK HERE FOREVER ?!
WITH FLYING FISH? AND FREAKY OLD MAN-CHILDREN ?!
Mos
WE CAN'T GO HOME.

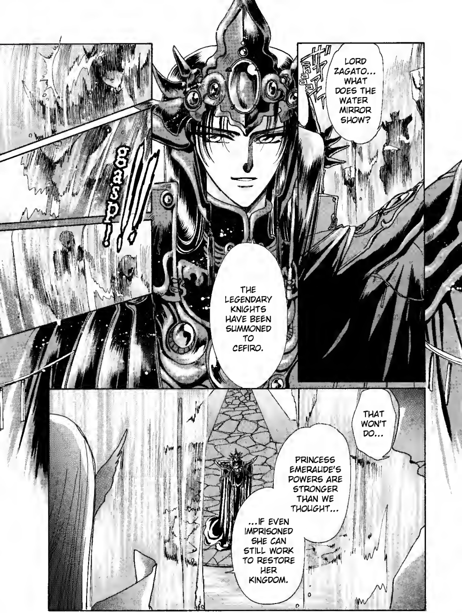

OH, THIS'LL NEVER WORK! I HAVE A REPORT DUE TOMORROW, AND I HAVEN'T EVEN STARTED!
IF WE CAN'T EVER GO BACK, YOU'RE GONNA MISS MORE THAN JUST ONE REPORT!
OH MY GOD...I HAVE A FENCING MATCH IN TWO DAYS!
I'M TEAM CAPTAIN! WHO WILL LEAD?
BUT IT'S A *GROUP* PROJECT. THE OTHERS DEPEND ON ME.
IF I DON'T PARTICIPATE, THEY ALL FAIL.
babble babble
きゃっ きゃっ
UMI, YOU *FENCE*?! FENCING IS ***TRÈS ELEGANT!***
ISN'T IT?
YOU SHOULD TOTALLY COME TO THE MATCH!
Hey!

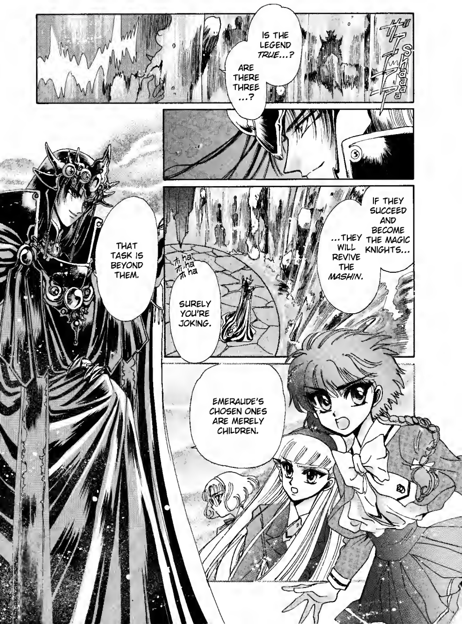

REALLY? YOU'RE INVITING ME?
YOU BET! THREE O'CLOCK AT THE SPORTS ARENA.
chat! gab!
きゃっきゃっ
GAH! I SAID, YOU CAN'T GO HOME!
あ Oh... right.
そうだった
seethe!
sad しゅん...
BECAUSE THAT MEANS I'LL NEVER SEE...
...MY FRIENDS OR MY FAMILY AGAIN.
ARE YOU SURE?
THERE IS ONLY *ONE* WAY TO RETURN.


Surround!
WHY DIDN'T YOU SAY SO? PLEASE TELL US!
YOU BETTER PLAY STRAIGHT WITH US, SHRIMP!
DON'T FORGET-- YOU MAY BE A SENIOR CITIZEN, BUT WE'RE *TALLER* THAN YOU!
slip
HEY! ARE YOU THREATENING ME?
You big bullies!
PLEASE, DON'T BE MAD...
...IT'S JUST THAT WE REALLY NEED TO KNOW HOW TO GET HOME!


IF YOU WISH TO EVER GO HOME...
...YOU MUST SAVE CEFIRO.

clack
clack
clack!
shhaaaaa
flap


ザァァァ
Shaaa
LORD ZAGATO... WHAT DOES THE WATER MIRROR SHOW?
gasp!
THE LEGENDARY KNIGHTS HAVE BEEN SUMMONED TO CEFIRO.
THAT WON'T DO...
PRINCESS EMERAUDE'S POWERS ARE STRONGER THAN WE THOUGHT...
...IF EVEN IMPRISONED SHE CAN STILL WORK TO RESTORE HER KINGDOM.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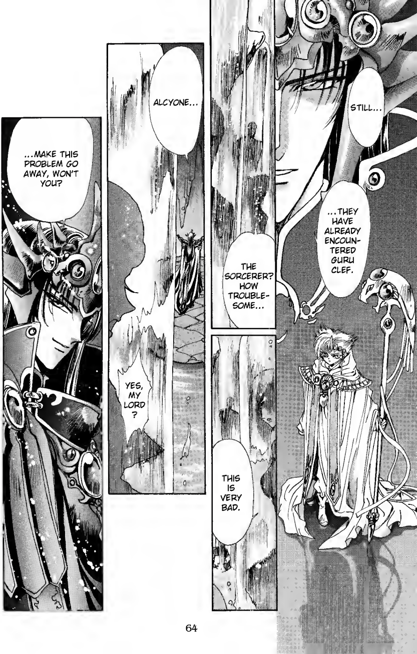
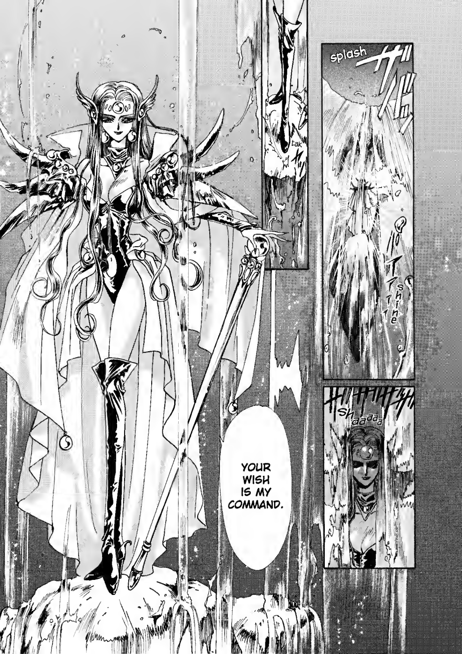
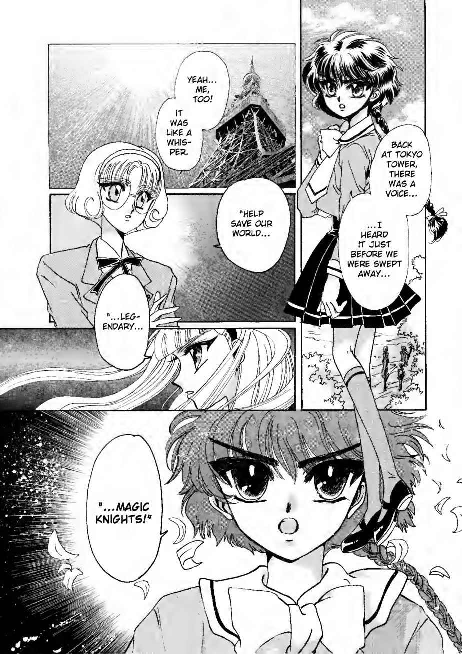
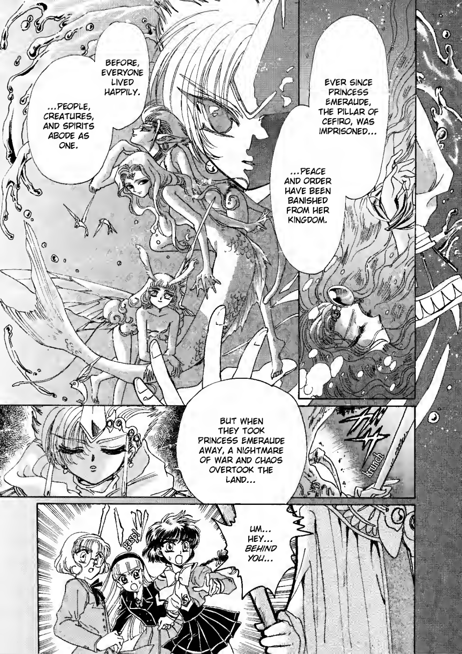
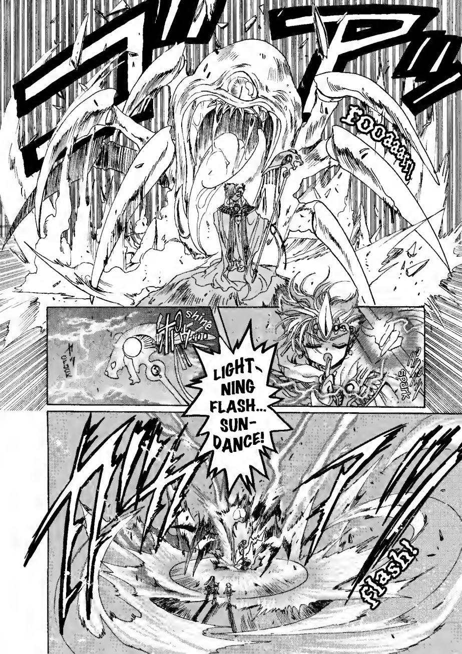
Shaaaa
IS THE LEGEND *TRUE*...?
ARE THERE THREE...?
IF THEY SUCCEED AND BECOME THE MAGIC KNIGHTS...
...THEY WILL REVIVE THE *MASHIN*.
ha ha ha
SURELY YOU'RE JOKING.
THAT TASK IS BEYOND THEM.
EMERAUDE'S CHOSEN ONES ARE MERELY CHILDREN.

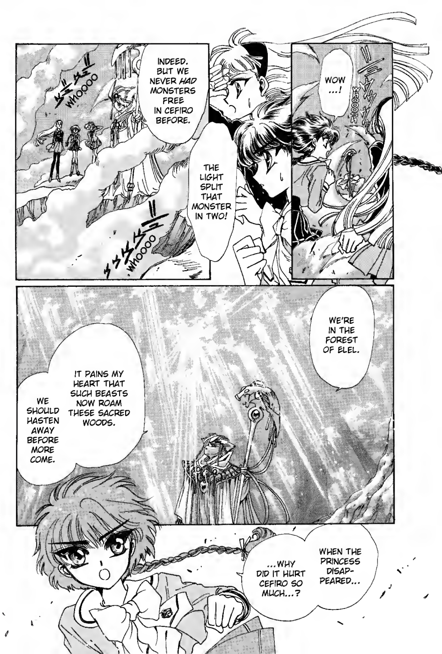

STILL...
...THEY HAVE ALREADY ENCOUNTERED GURU CLEF.
THE SORCERER? HOW TROUBLESOME...
THIS IS VERY BAD.
ALCYONE...
YES, MY LORD?
...MAKE THIS PROBLEM GO AWAY, WON'T YOU?

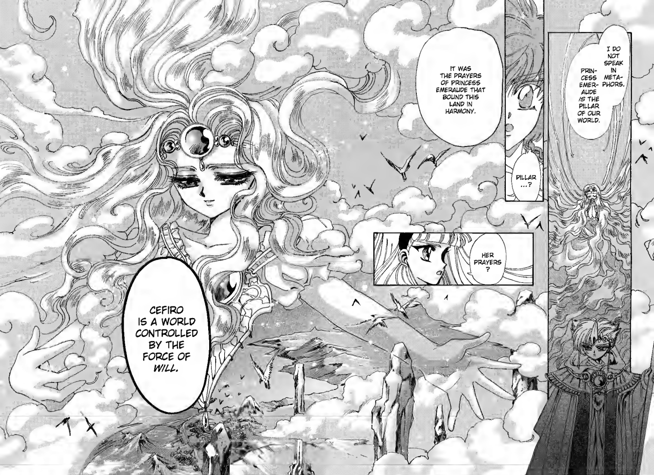

splash
shine
tak
YOUR WISH IS MY COMMAND.
shaaaa

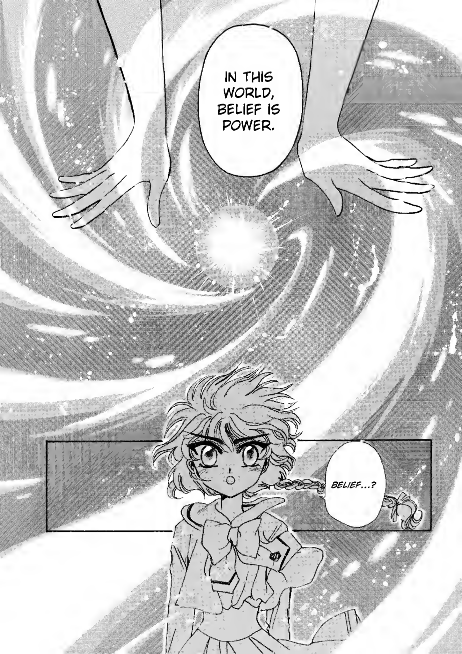

BACK AT TOKYO TOWER, THERE WAS A VOICE...
...I HEARD IT JUST BEFORE WE WERE SWEPT AWAY...
YEAH... ME, TOO!
IT WAS LIKE A WHISPER.
"HELP SAVE OUR WORLD...
"...LEGENDARY...
"...MAGIC KNIGHTS!"

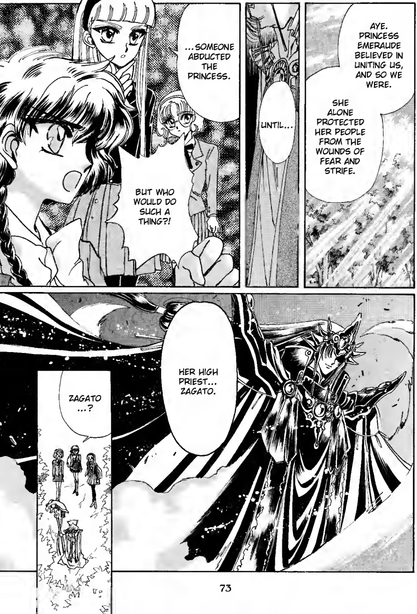

BEFORE, EVERYONE LIVED HAPPILY.
...PEOPLE, CREATURES, AND SPIRITS ABODE AS ONE.
EVER SINCE PRINCESS EMERAUDE, THE PILLAR OF CEFIRO, WAS IMPRISONED...
...PEACE AND ORDER HAVE BEEN BANISHED FROM HER KINGDOM.
BUT WHEN THEY TOOK PRINCESS EMERAUDE AWAY, A NIGHTMARE OF WAR AND CHAOS OVERTOOK THE LAND...
trunch
gasp!
UM... HEY... BEHIND YOU...

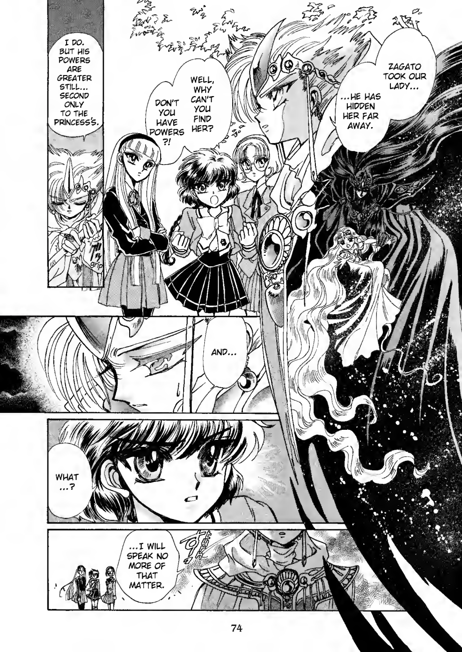

rooaaarr!
shine
LIGHT-NING FLASH... SUN-DANCE!
spark
flash!

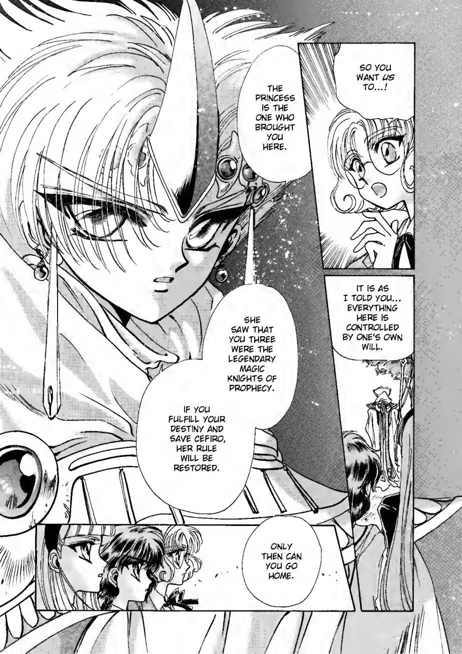

WOW ...!
WHOOOSH
THE LIGHT SPLIT THAT MONSTER IN TWO!
INDEED. BUT WE NEVER *HAD* MONSTERS FREE IN CEFIRO BEFORE.
WHOOOO
WHOOOO
WE'RE IN THE FOREST OF ELEL.
IT PAINS MY HEART THAT SUCH BEASTS NOW ROAM THESE SACRED WOODS.
WE SHOULD HASTEN AWAY BEFORE MORE COME.
WHEN THE PRINCESS DISAPPEARED...
...WHY DID IT HURT CEFIRO SO MUCH...?

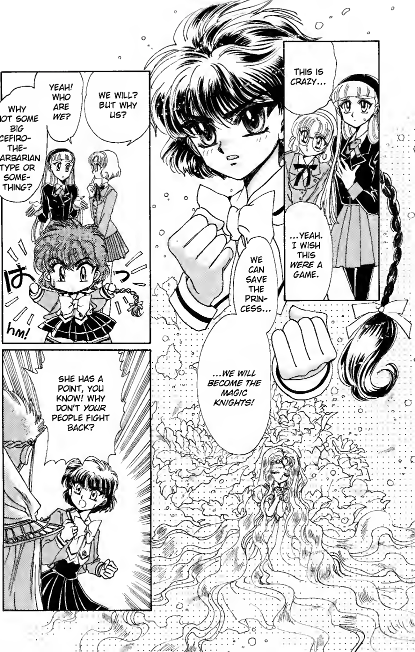

I DO NOT SPEAK IN METAPHORS.
PRINCESS EMERAUDE IS THE PILLAR OF OUR WORLD.
PILLAR ...?
IT WAS THE PRAYERS OF PRINCESS EMERAUDE THAT BOUND THIS LAND IN HARMONY.
HER PRAYERS?
CEFIRO IS A WORLD CONTROLLED BY THE FORCE OF *WILL.*

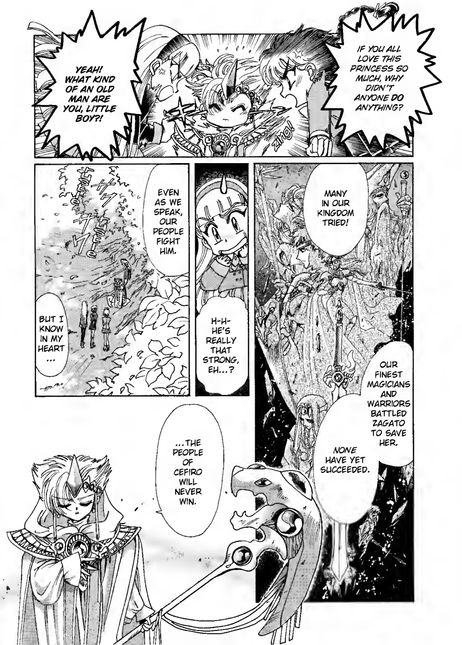

IN THIS WORLD, BELIEF IS POWER.
BELIEF...?

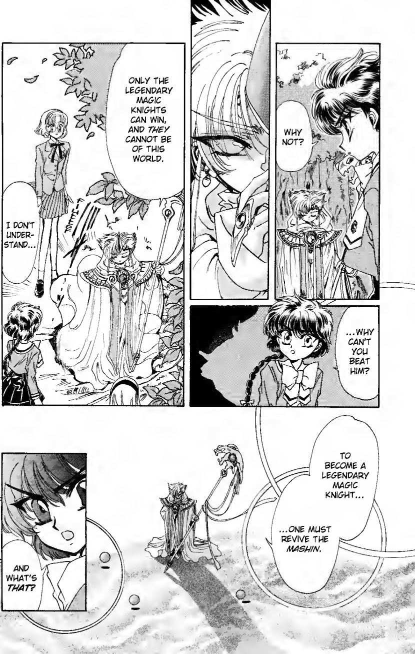

AYE. PRINCESS EMERAUDE BELIEVED IN UNITING US, AND SO WE WERE.
SHE ALONE PROTECTED HER PEOPLE FROM THE WOUNDS OF FEAR AND STRIFE.
UNTIL...
...SOMEONE ABDUCTED THE PRINCESS.
BUT WHO WOULD DO SUCH A THING?!
HER HIGH PRIEST... ZAGATO.
ZAGATO ...?

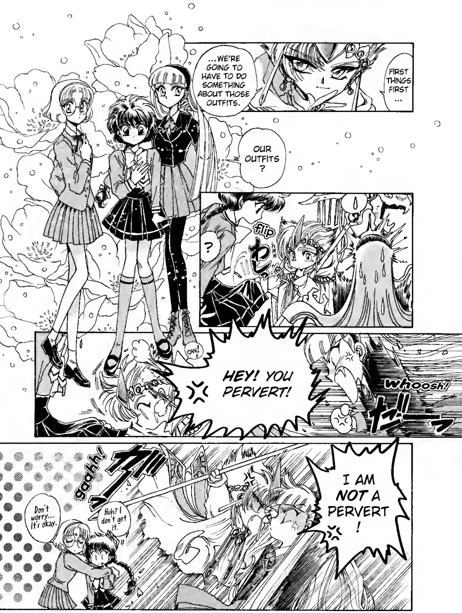

ZAGATO TOOK OUR LADY...
...HE HAS HIDDEN HER FAR AWAY.
WELL, WHY CAN'T YOU FIND HER?
DON'T YOU HAVE POWERS?!
I DO. BUT HIS POWERS ARE GREATER STILL... SECOND ONLY TO THE PRINCESS'S.
grip
AND...
WHAT...?
...I WILL SPEAK NO MORE OF THAT MATTER.

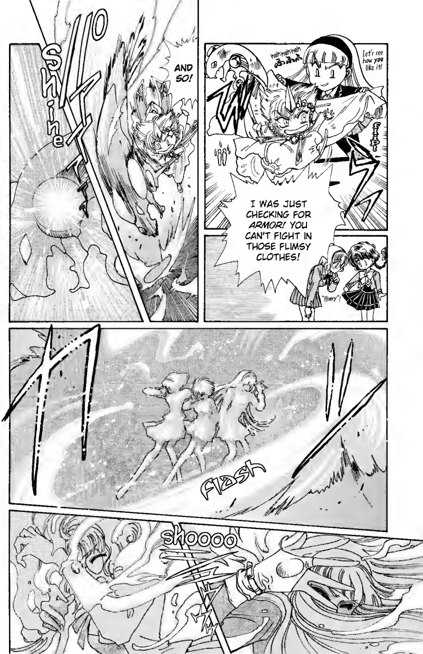

SO YOU WANT *US* TO...!
IT IS AS I TOLD YOU... EVERYTHING HERE IS CONTROLLED BY ONE'S OWN WILL.
THE PRINCESS IS THE ONE WHO BROUGHT YOU HERE.
SHE SAW THAT YOU THREE WERE THE LEGENDARY MAGIC KNIGHTS OF PROPHECY.
IF YOU FULFILL YOUR DESTINY AND SAVE CEFIRO, HER RULE WILL BE RESTORED.
ONLY THEN CAN YOU GO HOME.

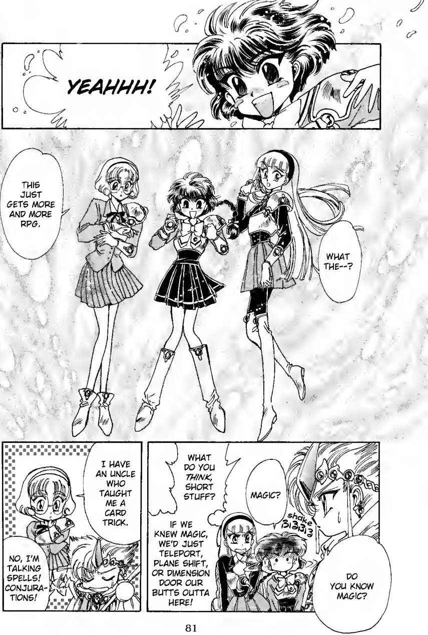

THIS IS CRAZY...
...YEAH. I WISH THIS *WERE* A GAME.
WE CAN SAVE THE PRINCESS...
...WE WILL BECOME THE MAGIC KNIGHTS!
WE WILL? BUT WHY US?
YEAH! WHO ARE *WE*?
WHY NOT SOME BIG CEFIRO-THE-BARBARIAN TYPE OR SOMETHING?
はっ
hm!
SHE HAS A POINT, YOU KNOW! WHY DON'T *YOUR* PEOPLE FIGHT BACK?

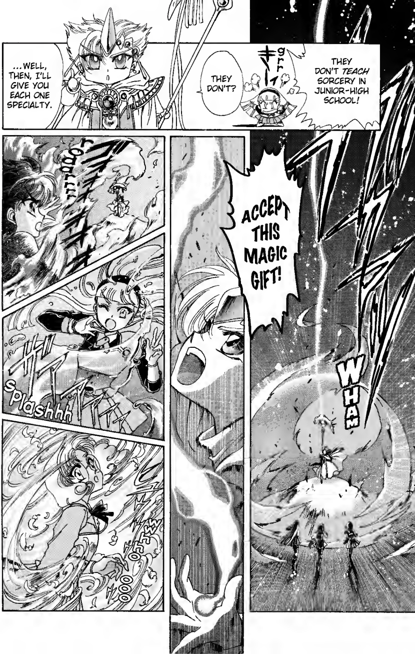

IF YOU ALL LOVE THIS PRINCESS SO MUCH, WHY DIDN'T ANYONE DO ANYTHING?
YEAH! WHAT KIND OF AN OLD MAN ARE YOU, LITTLE BOY?!
zing!
MANY IN OUR KINGDOM TRIED!
OUR FINEST MAGICIANS AND WARRIORS BATTLED ZAGATO TO SAVE HER.
NONE HAVE YET SUCCEEDED.
H-H-HE'S REALLY THAT STRONG, EH...?
EVEN AS WE SPEAK, OUR PEOPLE FIGHT HIM.
BUT I KNOW IN MY HEART ...
...THE PEOPLE OF CEFIRO WILL NEVER WIN.

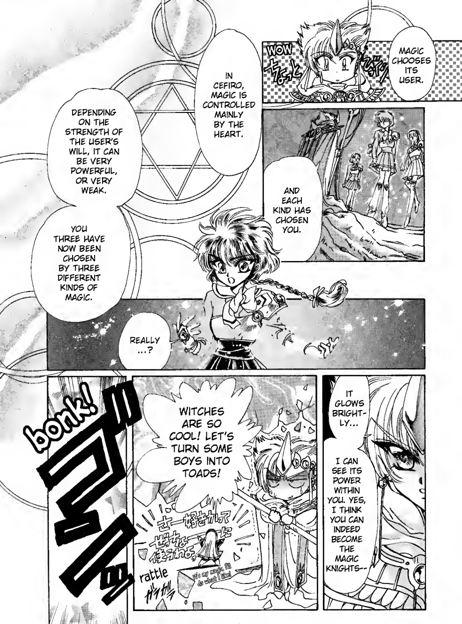

ONLY THE LEGENDARY MAGIC KNIGHTS CAN WIN, AND *THEY* CANNOT BE OF THIS WORLD.
I DON'T UNDERSTAND...
FIWEEEP
WHY NOT?
...WHY CAN'T YOU BEAT HIM?
TO BECOME A LEGENDARY MAGIC KNIGHT...
...ONE MUST REVIVE THE *MASHIN*.
AND WHAT'S *THAT?*

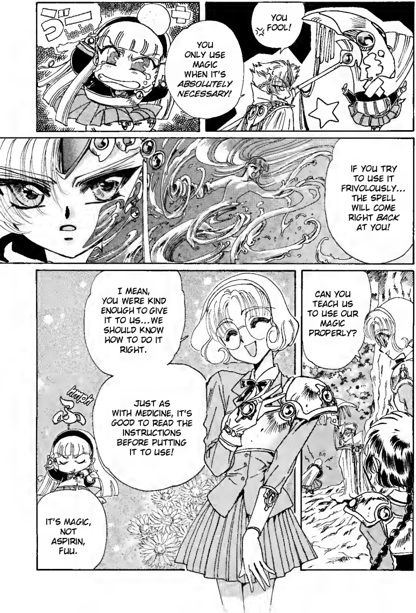

FIRST THINGS FIRST ...
...WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT THOSE OUTFITS.
OUR OUTFITS ?
?
flip
OW!
HEY! YOU PERVERT!
whoosh!
I AM NOT A PERVERT !
gaah!
Huh? I don't get it.
Don't worry... It's okay.

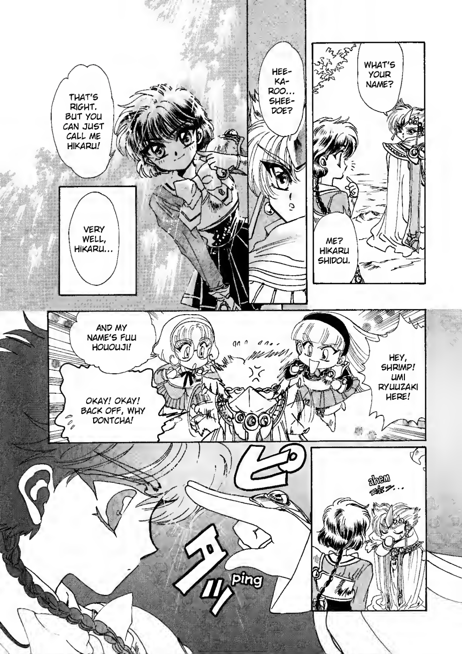

Let's see how you like it!
heh heh heh
FLIP!
I WAS JUST CHECKING FOR *ARMOR!* YOU CAN'T FIGHT IN THOSE FLIMSY CLOTHES!
"Flimsy"!
AND SO!
Shine
Flash
shoooo

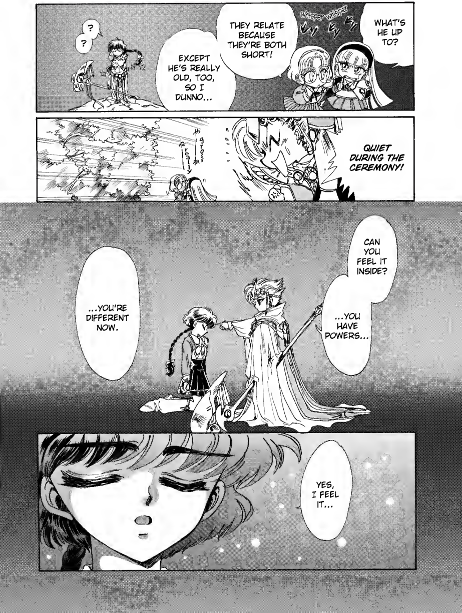

YEAHHH!
WHAT THE--?
THIS JUST GETS MORE AND MORE RPG.
MAGIC?
WHAT DO YOU *THINK*, SHORT STUFF?
shake
IF WE KNEW MAGIC, WE'D JUST TELEPORT, PLANE SHIFT, OR DIMENSION DOOR OUR BUTTS OUTTA HERE!
DO YOU KNOW MAGIC?
I HAVE AN UNCLE WHO TAUGHT ME A CARD TRICK.
NO, I'M TALKING SPELLS! CONJURATIONS!

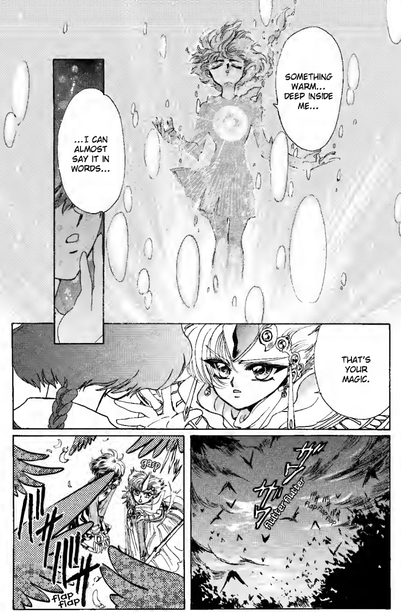

THEY DON'T *TEACH* SORCERY IN JUNIOR-HIGH SCHOOL!
grr
THEY DON'T?
...WELL, THEN, I'LL GIVE YOU EACH ONE SPECIALTY.
ACCEPT THIS MAGIC GIFT!
WHAM
Roarrrr
Splashhh
Whhoooooo

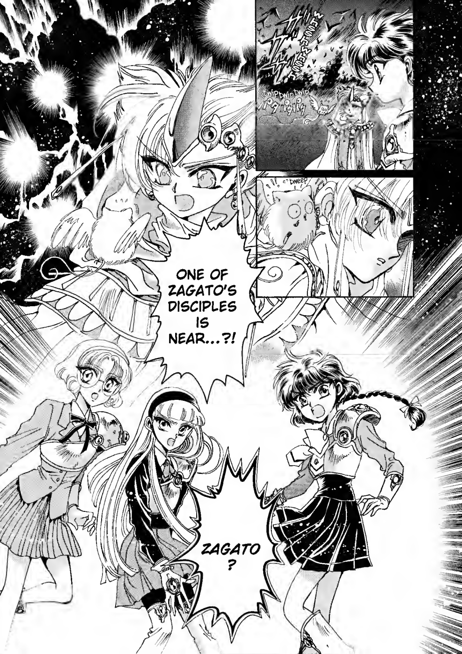

WOW
ちょっと
ぴくっ
MAGIC CHOOSES ITS USER.
IN CEFIRO, MAGIC IS CONTROLLED MAINLY BY THE HEART.
DEPENDING ON THE STRENGTH OF THE USER'S WILL, IT CAN BE VERY POWERFUL, OR VERY WEAK.
AND EACH KIND HAS CHOSEN YOU.
YOU THREE HAVE NOW BEEN CHOSEN BY THREE DIFFERENT KINDS OF MAGIC.
REALLY ...?
IT GLOWS BRIGHTLY...
I CAN SEE ITS POWER WITHIN YOU. YES, I THINK YOU CAN INDEED BECOME THE MAGIC KNIGHTS--
WITCHES ARE SO COOL! LET'S TURN SOME BOYS INTO TOADS!
さー好きカッてぜったいにーに使うわよっ
it's my magic, I'll do what I like!
rattle
ガラガラ
bonk!
ゴン

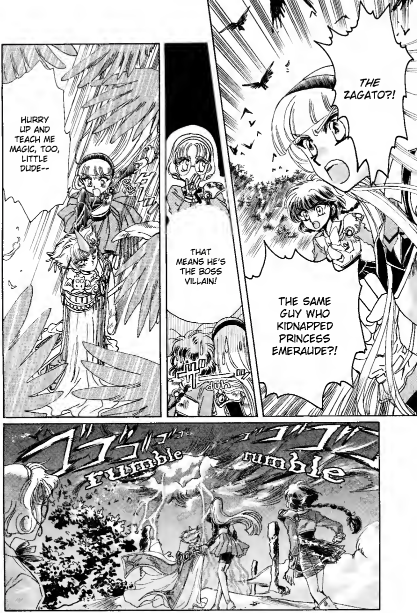

YOU FOOL!
YOU ONLY USE MAGIC WHEN IT'S *ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY!*
boo-hoo
IF YOU TRY TO USE IT FRIVOLOUSLY... THE SPELL WILL COME RIGHT *BACK* AT YOU!
CAN YOU TEACH US TO USE OUR MAGIC PROPERLY?
I MEAN, YOU WERE KIND ENOUGH TO GIVE IT TO US...WE SHOULD KNOW HOW TO DO IT RIGHT.
JUST AS WITH MEDICINE, IT'S GOOD TO READ THE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE PUTTING IT TO USE!
hmph
IT'S MAGIC, NOT ASPIRIN, FUU.

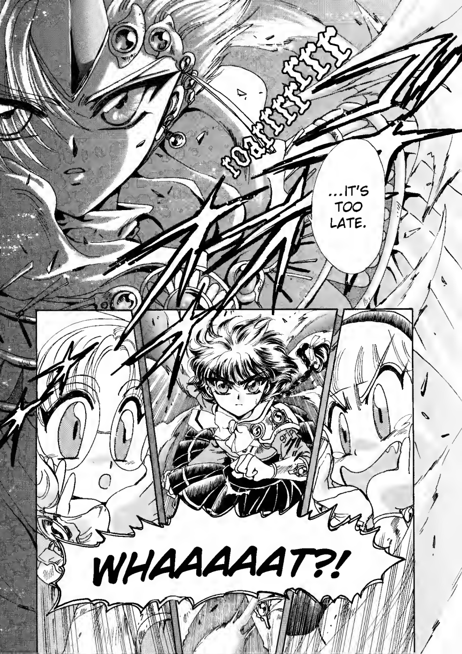

WHAT'S YOUR NAME?
ME? HIKARU SHIDOU.
HEE-KA-ROO... SHEE-DOE?
THAT'S RIGHT. BUT YOU CAN JUST CALL ME HIKARU!
VERY WELL, HIKARU...
HEY, SHRIMP! UMI RYUUZAKI HERE!
AND MY NAME'S FUU HOUOUJI!
OKAY! OKAY! BACK OFF, WHY DONTCHA!
ahem
エホン...
ピコッ
ping

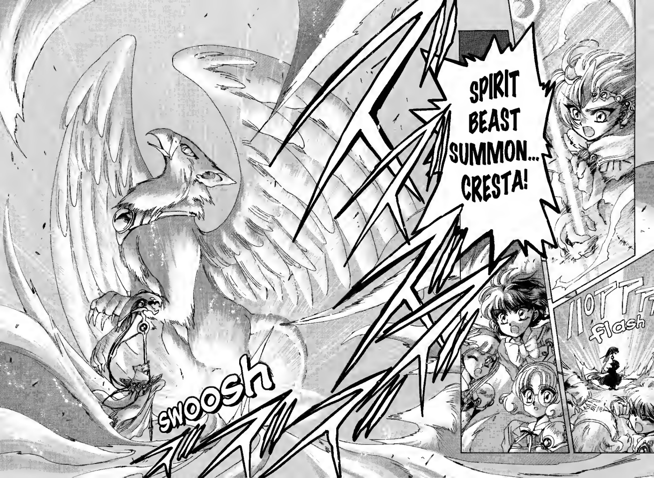

WHAT'S HE UP TO?
whisper whisper
ヒソ ヒソ ヒソ
THEY RELATE BECAUSE THEY'RE BOTH SHORT!
EXCEPT HE'S REALLY OLD, TOO, SO I DUNNO...
?
?
QUIET DURING THE CEREMONY!
やー gross
ねー really
CAN YOU FEEL IT INSIDE?
...YOU HAVE POWERS...
...YOU'RE DIFFERENT NOW.
YES, I FEEL IT...

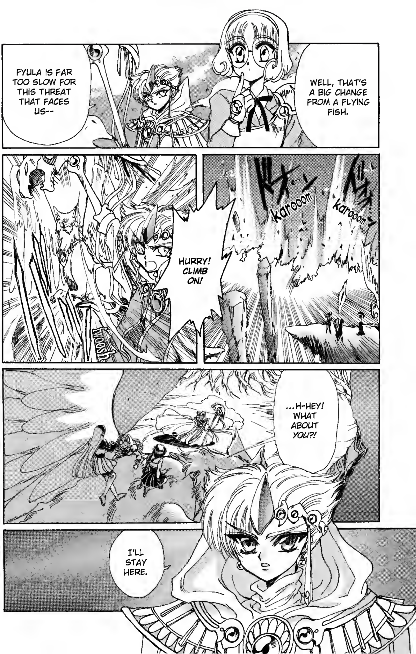

SOMETHING WARM... DEEP INSIDE ME...
...I CAN ALMOST SAY IT IN WORDS...
THAT'S YOUR MAGIC.
ザワ
ザワ
flutter flutter
flap flap flap
gasp
バサ
バサ
flap flap

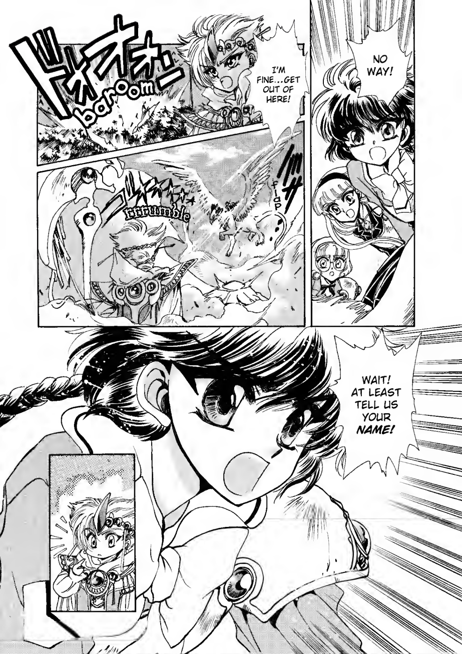

whooshwhoosh
twiptwiptwip
パタパタ
tweep
ONE OF ZAGATO'S DISCIPLES IS NEAR...?!
ZAGATO ?

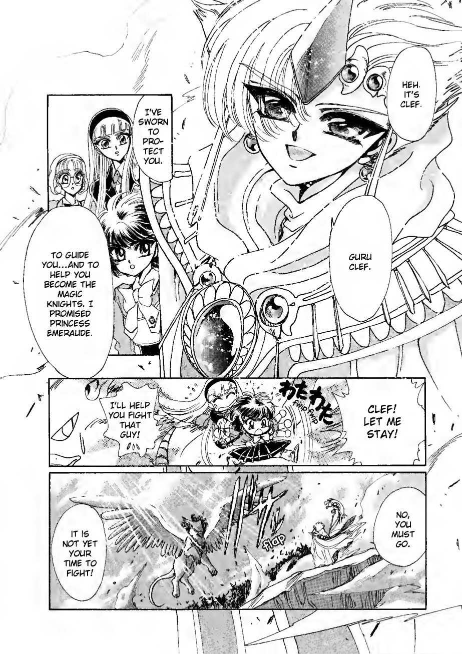

THE ZAGATO?!
THE SAME GUY WHO KIDNAPPED PRINCESS EMERAUDE?!
THAT MEANS HE'S THE BOSS VILLAIN!
duh
HURRY UP AND TEACH ME MAGIC, TOO, LITTLE DUDE--
dash
rumble
rumble

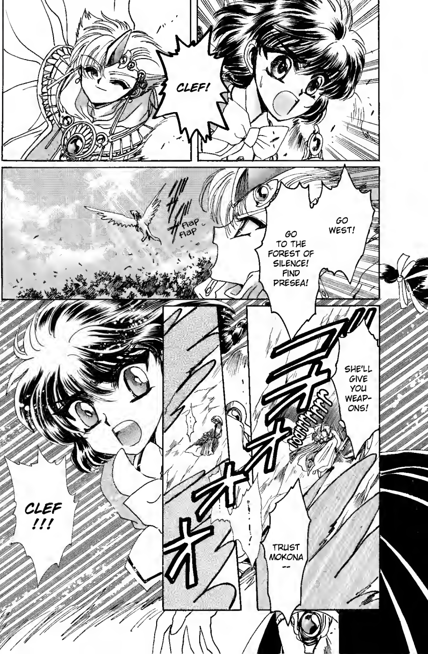

roarrrrrrr
...IT'S TOO LATE.
WHAAAAAT?!

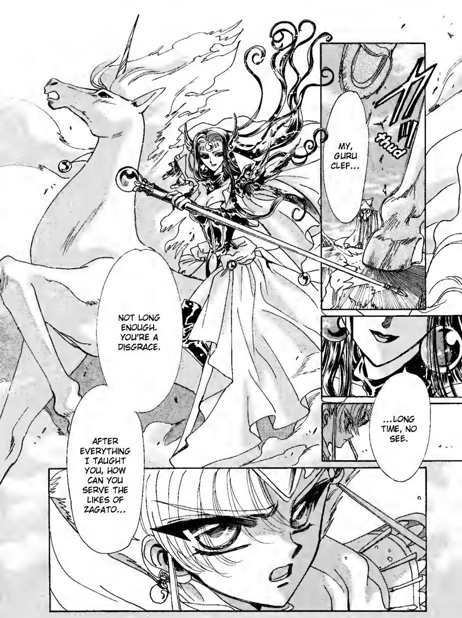

SPIRIT BEAST SUMMON... CRESTA!
Flash
swoosh

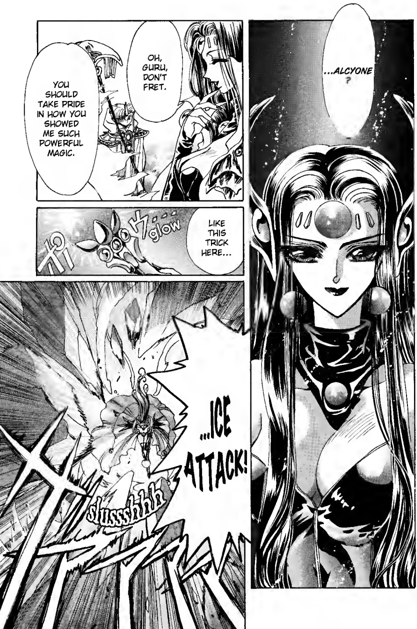

WELL, THAT'S A BIG CHANGE FROM A FLYING FISH.
FYULA IS FAR TOO SLOW FOR THIS THREAT THAT FACES US--
karooom
karooom
HURRY! CLIMB ON!
whoosh
...H-HEY! WHAT ABOUT YOU?!
I'LL STAY HERE.

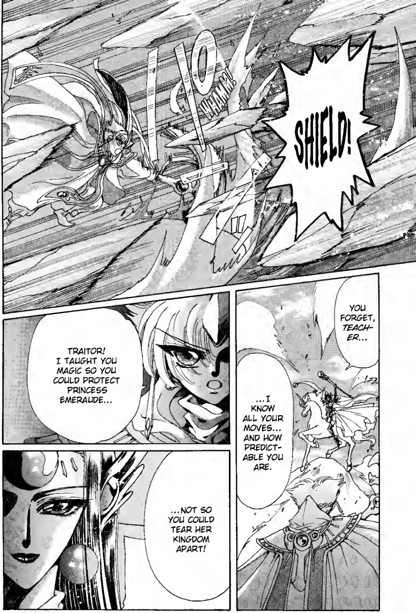

ドオオオー
baroom
I'M FINE...GET OUT OF HERE!
ゴオオオ
rrrumble
バサ
flap
NO WAY!
WAIT! AT LEAST TELL US YOUR NAME!

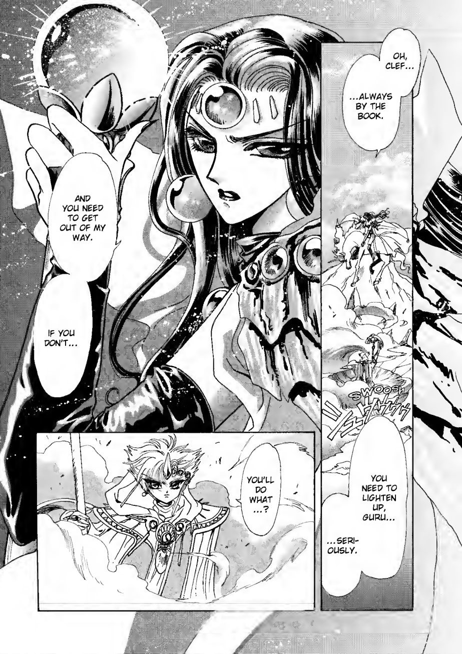

HEH. IT'S CLEF.
GURU CLEF.
I'VE SWORN TO PROTECT YOU.
TO GUIDE YOU...AND TO HELP YOU BECOME THE MAGIC KNIGHTS. I PROMISED PRINCESS EMERAUDE.
CLEF! LET ME STAY!
わたわた
fwip fwip
I'LL HELP YOU FIGHT THAT GUY!
NO, YOU MUST GO.
flap
IT IS NOT YET YOUR TIME TO FIGHT!

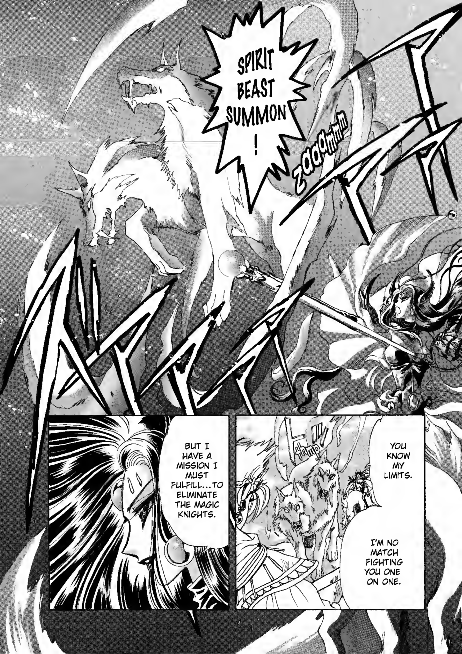

CLEF!
GO WEST!
GO TO THE FOREST OF SILENCE! FIND PRESEA!
Flap Flap
SHE'LL GIVE YOU WEAP-ONS!
ゴォォォォ
ROARRRRRR
TRUST MOKONA --
CLEF !!!

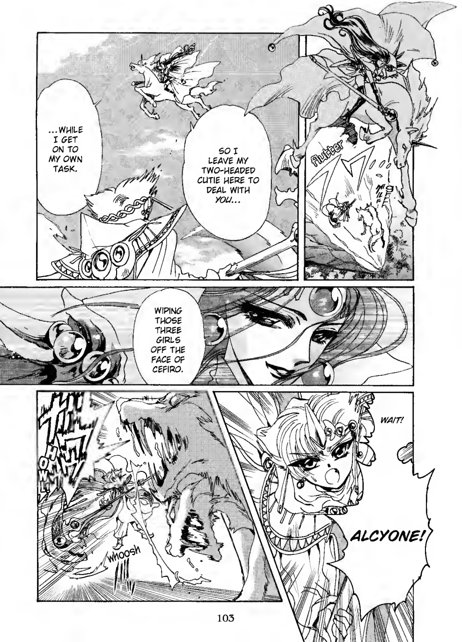

thud
MY, GURU CLEF...
...LONG TIME, NO SEE.
NOT LONG ENOUGH. YOU'RE A DISGRACE.
AFTER EVERYTHING I TAUGHT YOU, HOW CAN YOU SERVE THE LIKES OF ZAGATO...

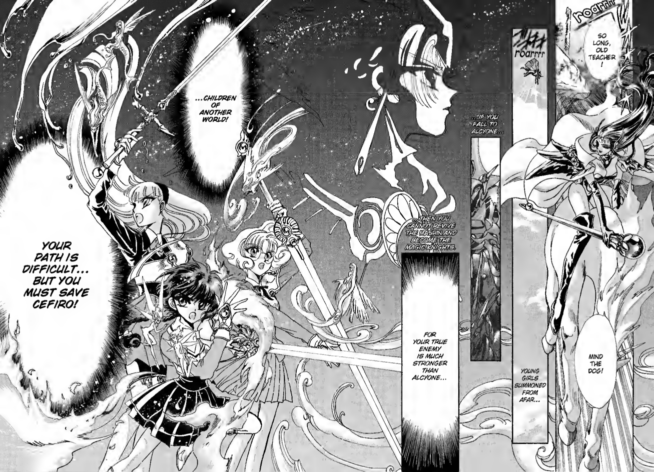

...ALCYONE?
OH, GURU, DON'T FRET.
YOU SHOULD TAKE PRIDE IN HOW YOU SHOWED ME SUCH POWERFUL MAGIC.
LIKE THIS TRICK HERE...
glow
...ICE ATTACK!
slussshhh

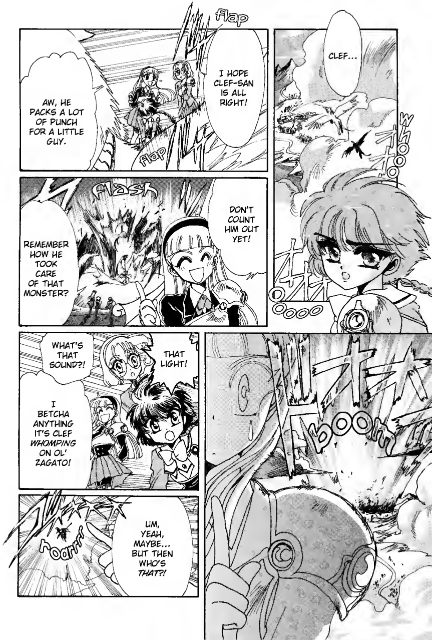

WHAMM!
SHIELD!
TRAITOR! I TAUGHT YOU MAGIC SO YOU COULD PROTECT PRINCESS EMERAUDE...
...NOT SO YOU COULD TEAR HER KINGDOM APART!
YOU FORGET, *TEACHER*...
...I KNOW ALL YOUR MOVES... AND HOW PREDICTABLE YOU ARE.

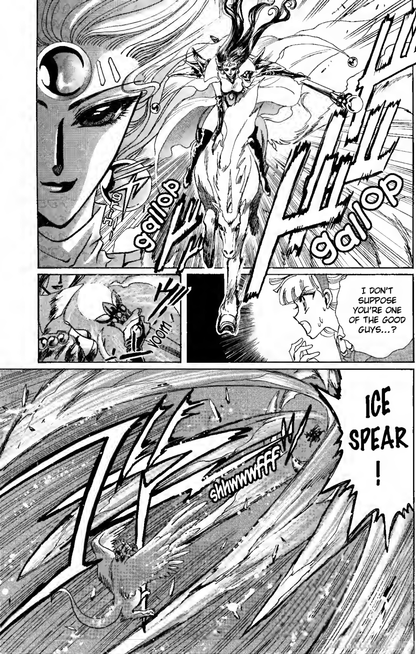

OH, CLEF...
...ALWAYS BY THE BOOK.
SWOOSH
YOU NEED TO LIGHTEN UP, GURU...
...SERIOUSLY.
AND YOU NEED TO GET OUT OF MY WAY.
IF YOU DON'T...
YOU'LL DO WHAT ...?

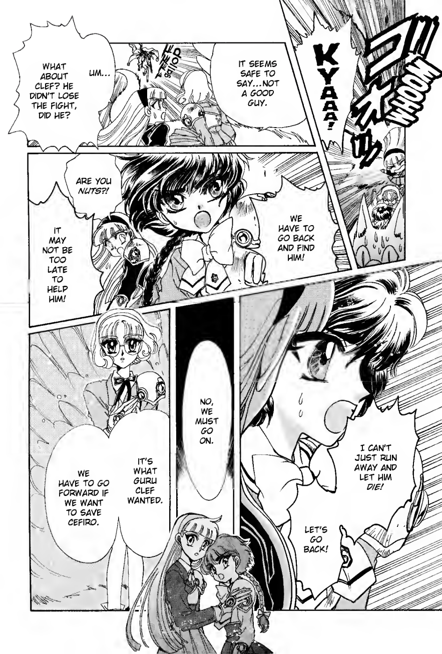

SPIRIT BEAST SUMMON!
zaaammm
thmp
YOU KNOW MY LIMITS.
I'M NO MATCH FIGHTING YOU ONE ON ONE.
BUT I HAVE A MISSION I MUST FULFILL...TO ELIMINATE THE MAGIC KNIGHTS.

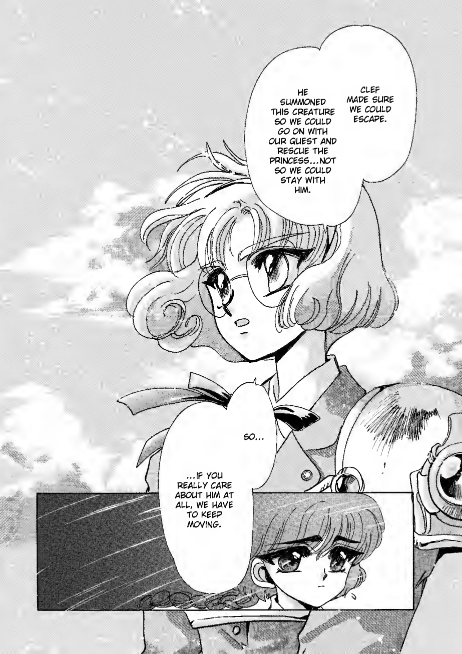

flutter
grrr
SO I LEAVE MY TWO-HEADED CUTIE HERE TO DEAL WITH *YOU*...
...WHILE I GET ON TO MY OWN TASK.
WIPING THOSE THREE GIRLS OFF THE FACE OF CEFIRO.
WAIT!
ALCYONE!
HOWL
whoosh

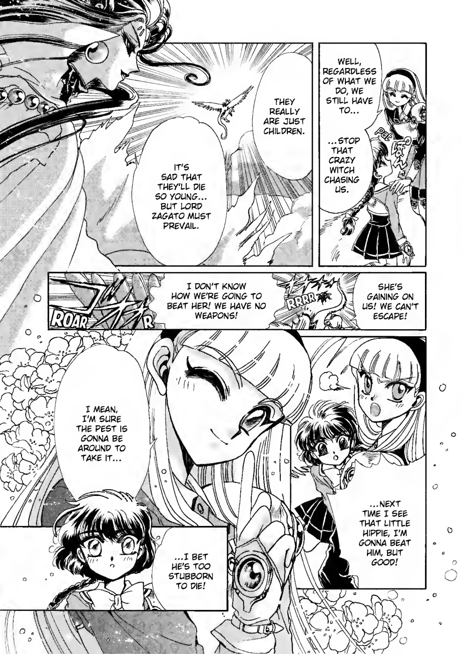

roarrr
SO LONG, OLD TEACHER!
roarrr
MIND THE DOG!
YOUNG GIRLS SUMMONED FROM AFAR...
...IF YOU FALL TO ALCYONE...
...THEN YOU CANNOT REVIVE THE MASHIN AND BECOME THE MAGIC KNIGHTS.
FOR YOUR TRUE ENEMY IS MUCH STRONGER THAN ALCYONE...
...CHILDREN OF ANOTHER WORLD!
YOUR PATH IS DIFFICULT... BUT YOU MUST SAVE CEFIRO!

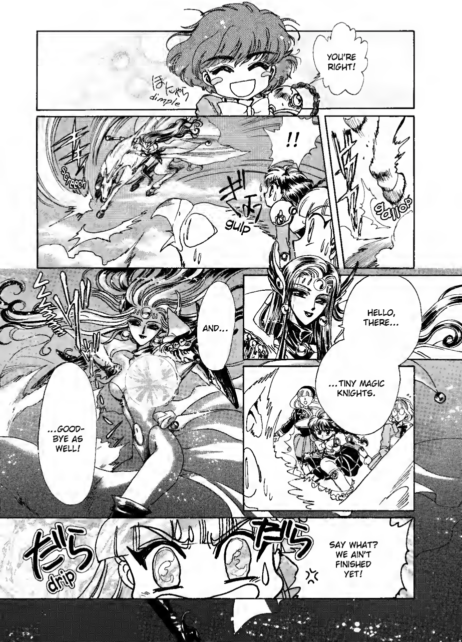

CLEF...
Whooo
Oooo
flap
I HOPE CLEF-SAN IS ALL RIGHT!
AW, HE PACKS A LOT OF PUNCH FOR A LITTLE GUY.
flap
flash
DON'T COUNT HIM OUT YET!
REMEMBER HOW HE TOOK CARE OF THAT MONSTER?
boom
THAT LIGHT!
WHAT'S THAT SOUND?!
I BETCHA ANYTHING IT'S CLEF *WHOMPING* ON OL' ZAGATO!
UM, YEAH, MAYBE... BUT THEN WHO'S *THAT?!*
roarrr

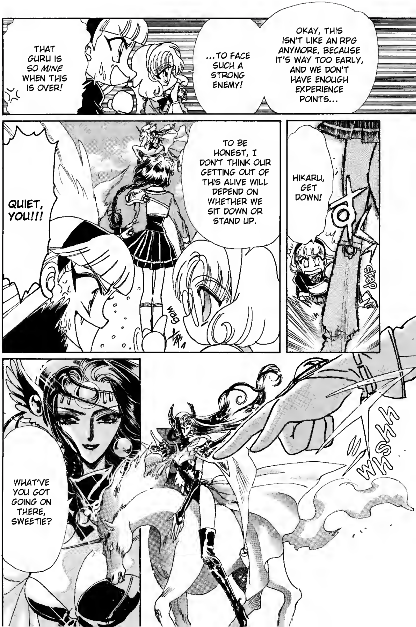

gallop
grin
gallop
I DON'T SUPPOSE YOU'RE ONE OF THE GOOD GUYS...?
vooom
ICE SPEAR!
shhwwwfff

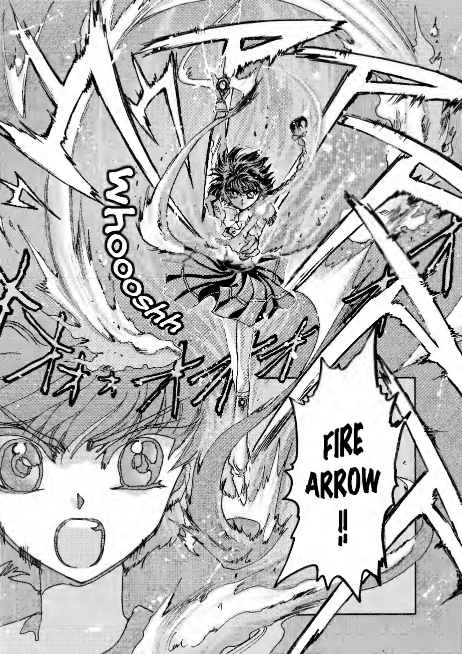

KYAAA!
WHOOM
IT SEEMS SAFE TO SAY...NOT A GOOD GUY.
gallop
UM...
WHAT ABOUT CLEF? HE DIDN'T LOSE THE FIGHT, DID HE?
WE HAVE TO GO BACK AND FIND HIM!
ARE YOU *NUTS?!*
IT MAY NOT BE TOO LATE TO HELP HIM!
I CAN'T JUST RUN AWAY AND LET HIM *DIE!*
LET'S GO BACK!
NO, WE MUST GO ON.
IT'S WHAT GURU CLEF WANTED.
WE HAVE TO GO FORWARD IF WE WANT TO SAVE CEFIRO.

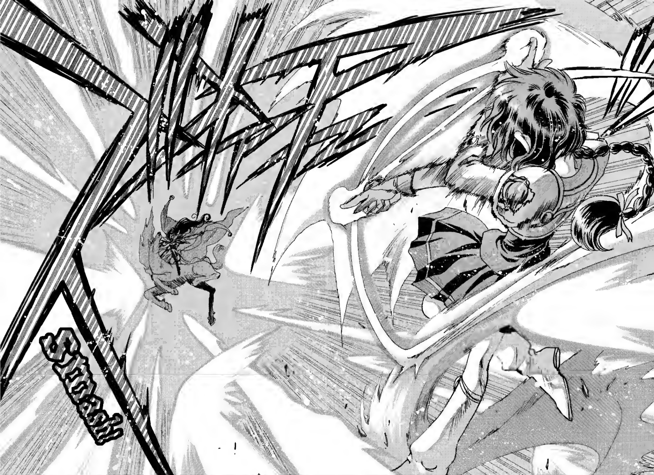

CLEF MADE SURE WE COULD ESCAPE.
HE SUMMONED THIS CREATURE SO WE COULD GO ON WITH OUR QUEST AND RESCUE THE PRINCESS...NOT SO WE COULD STAY WITH HIM.
SO...
...IF YOU REALLY CARE ABOUT HIM AT ALL, WE HAVE TO KEEP MOVING.

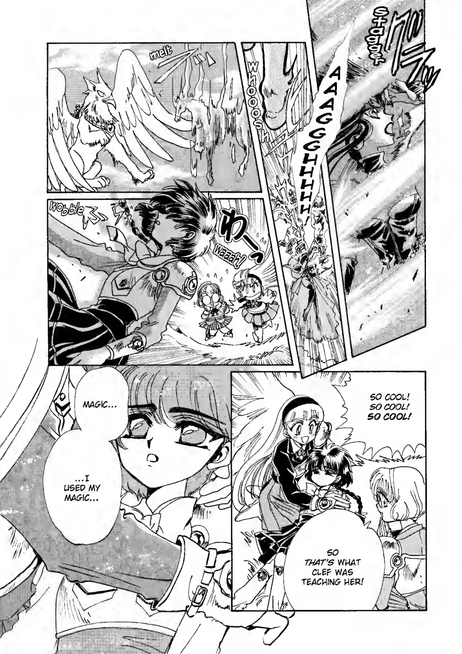

WELL, REGARDLESS OF WHAT WE DO, WE STILL HAVE TO...
Pat
...STOP THAT CRAZY WITCH CHASING US.
THEY REALLY ARE JUST CHILDREN.
IT'S SAD THAT THEY'LL DIE SO YOUNG... BUT LORD ZAGATO MUST PREVAIL.
SHE'S GAINING ON US! WE CAN'T ESCAPE!
RRRR
I DON'T KNOW HOW WE'RE GOING TO BEAT HER! WE HAVE NO WEAPONS!
R
ROAR
...NEXT TIME I SEE THAT LITTLE HIPPIE, I'M GONNA BEAT HIM, BUT GOOD!
I MEAN, I'M SURE THE PEST IS GONNA BE AROUND TO TAKE IT...
...I BET HE'S TOO STUBBORN TO DIE!

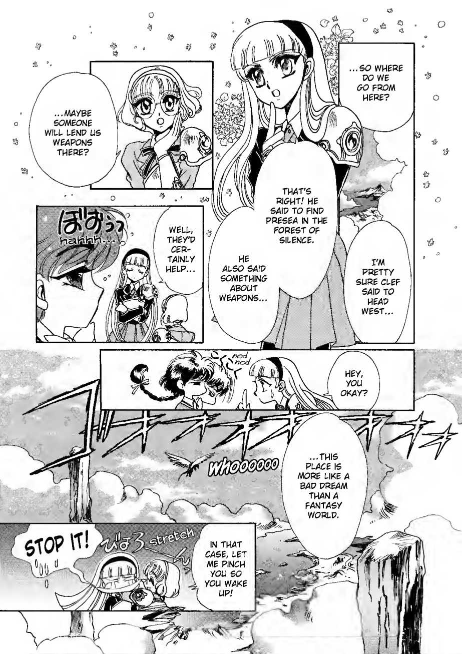

YOU'RE RIGHT!
ほにゃら
dimple
gallop
!!
gulp
screech
HELLO, THERE...
...TINY MAGIC KNIGHTS.
AND...
...GOOD-BYE AS WELL!
SAY WHAT? WE AIN'T FINISHED YET!
だら
だら
drip

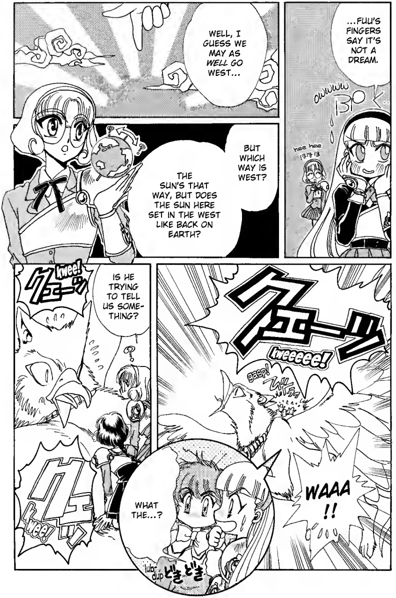

OKAY, THIS ISN'T LIKE AN RPG ANYMORE, BECAUSE IT'S WAY TOO EARLY, AND WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH EXPERIENCE POINTS...
...TO FACE SUCH A STRONG ENEMY!
THAT GURU IS SO *MINE* WHEN THIS IS OVER!
HIKARU, GET DOWN!
step
TO BE HONEST, I DON'T THINK OUR GETTING OUT OF THIS ALIVE WILL DEPEND ON WHETHER WE SIT DOWN OR STAND UP.
wag
QUIET, YOU!!!
whsh
WHAT'VE YOU GOT GOING ON THERE, SWEETIE?

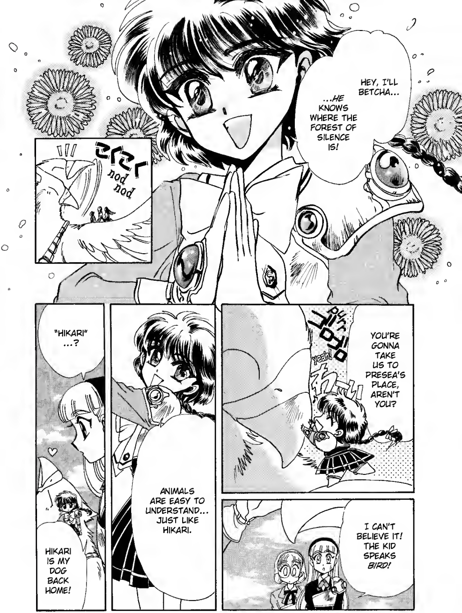

Whooosh
オォォォォ
FIRE ARROW !!

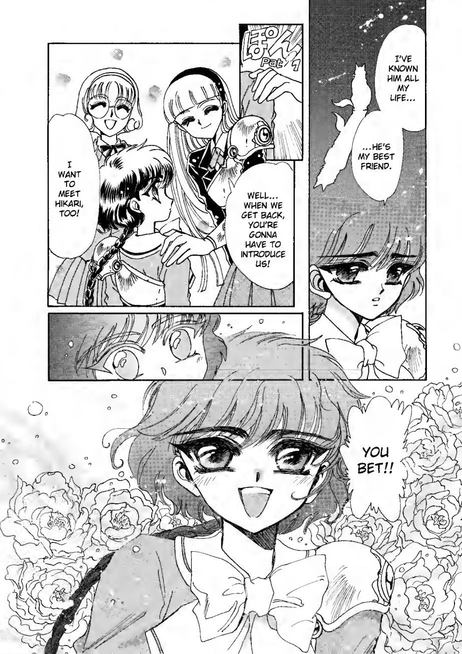

Smash!

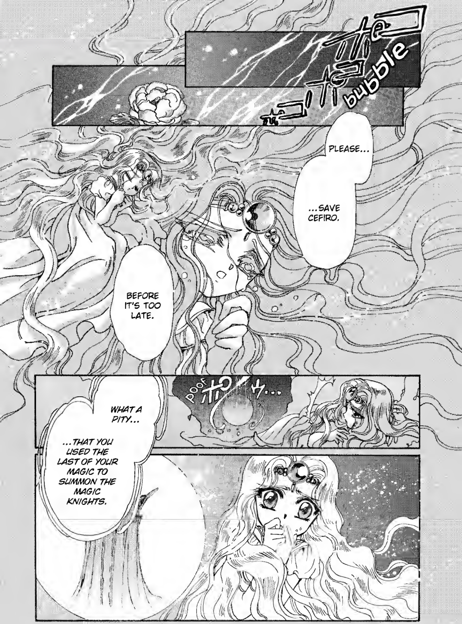

Stagger
フラッ
AAAGGGHHHHH!
Whoooosh
melt
wobble
わーっ
waaah!
SO COOL! SO COOL! SO COOL!
SO THAT'S WHAT CLEF WAS TEACHING HER!
MAGIC...
...I USED MY MAGIC...

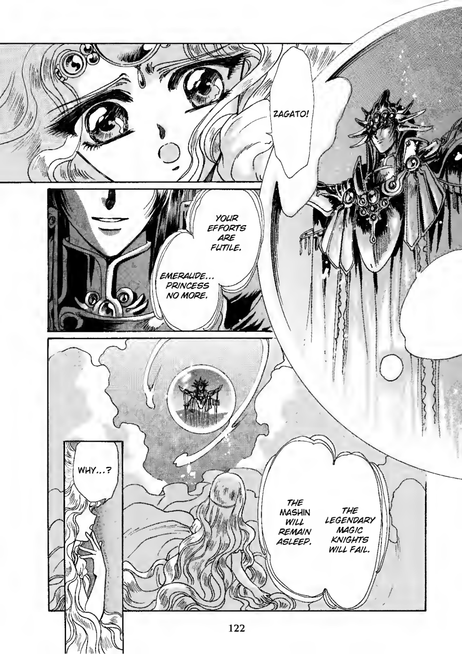

...SO WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?
I'M PRETTY SURE CLEF SAID TO HEAD WEST...
THAT'S RIGHT! HE SAID TO FIND PRESEA IN THE FOREST OF SILENCE.
HE ALSO SAID SOMETHING ABOUT WEAPONS...
...MAYBE SOMEONE WILL LEND US WEAPONS THERE?
WELL, THEY'D CERTAINLY HELP...
ぼおぅっ hahhh...
nod nod
HEY, YOU OKAY?
ゴオオオオオオオ whoooooo
...THIS PLACE IS MORE LIKE A BAD DREAM THAN A FANTASY WORLD.
IN THAT CASE, LET ME PINCH YOU SO YOU WAKE UP!
びよろ stretch
STOP IT!

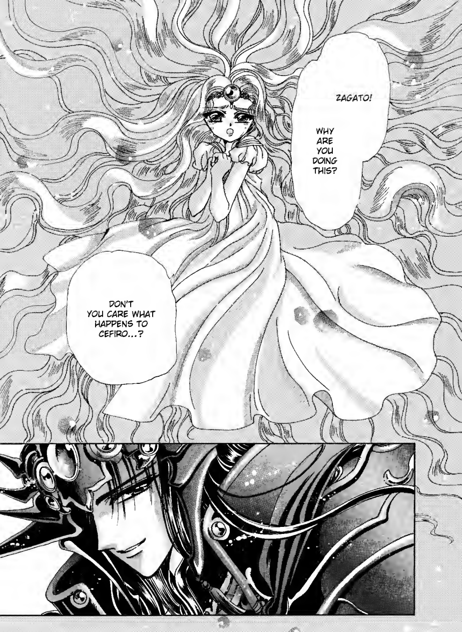

WELL, I GUESS WE MAY AS *WELL* GO WEST...
BUT WHICH WAY IS WEST?
THE SUN'S THAT WAY, BUT DOES THE SUN HERE SET IN THE WEST LIKE BACK ON EARTH?
...FUU'S FINGERS SAY IT'S NOT A DREAM.
owwww
BOK...
hee hee
ほほほ
kwee!
クェーッ
IS HE TRYING TO TELL US SOME-THING?
クェッ
kwee!
クェーッ
tweeeee!
gasp!
ビクッ
WAAA !!
WHAT THE...?
lub-dup
どきどき

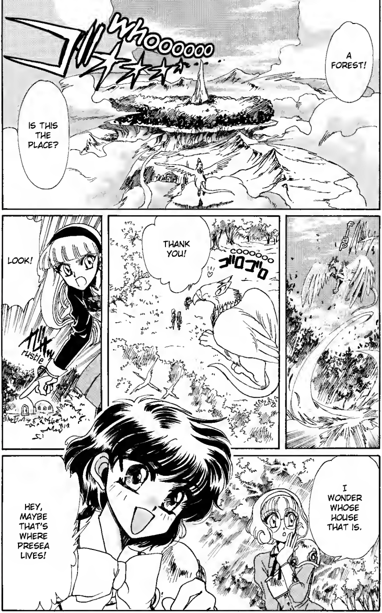

HEY, I'LL BETCHA...
...*HE* KNOWS WHERE THE FOREST OF SILENCE IS!
こくこく
nod nod
YOU'RE GONNA TAKE US TO PRESEA'S PLACE, AREN'T YOU?
ゴロゴロ
purr
あ～い
yeah!
I CAN'T BELIEVE IT*!* THE KID SPEAKS *BIRD!*
ANIMALS ARE EASY TO UNDERSTAND... JUST LIKE HIKARI.
"HIKARI" ...?
HIKARI IS MY DOG BACK HOME!

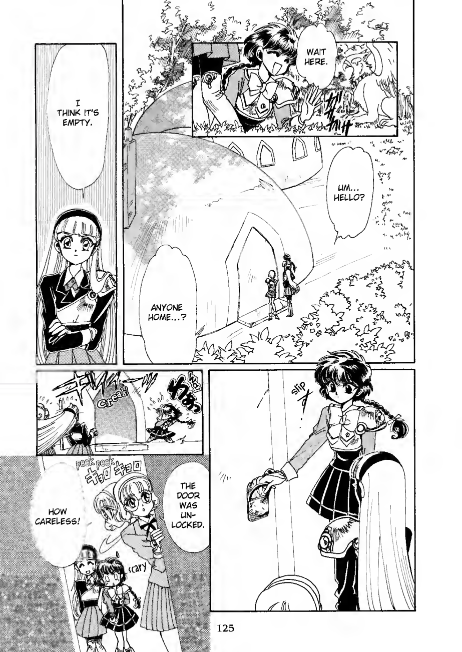

I'VE KNOWN HIM ALL MY LIFE...
...HE'S MY BEST FRIEND.
ぽん
Pat
WELL... WHEN WE GET BACK, YOU'RE GONNA HAVE TO INTRODUCE US!
I WANT TO MEET HIKARI, TOO!
YOU BET!!

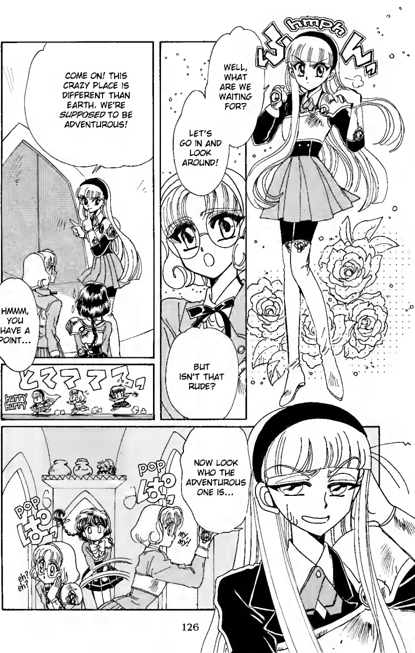

bubble
PLEASE...
...SAVE CEFIRO.
BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE.
poof ポッ...
WHAT A PITY...
...THAT YOU USED THE LAST OF YOUR MAGIC TO SUMMON THE MAGIC KNIGHTS.

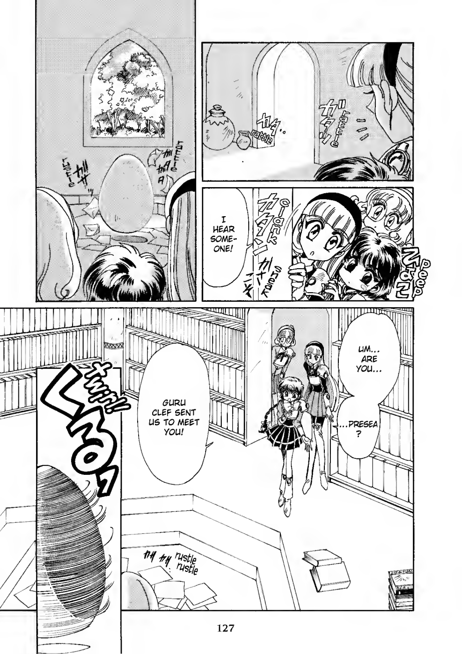

ZAGATO!
YOUR EFFORTS ARE FUTILE.
EMERAUDE... PRINCESS NO MORE.
THE LEGENDARY MAGIC KNIGHTS WILL FAIL.
THE MASHIN WILL REMAIN ASLEEP.
WHY...?

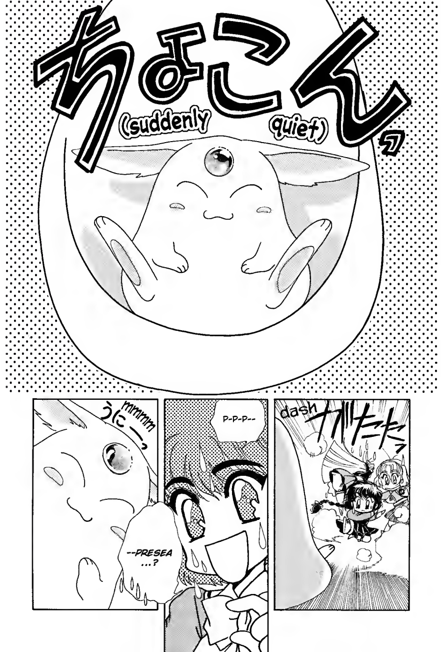

ZAGATO!
WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS?
DON'T YOU CARE WHAT HAPPENS TO CEFIRO...?

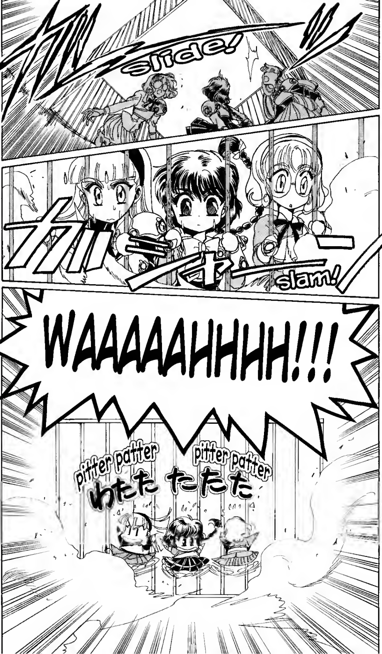

A FOREST!
IS THIS THE PLACE?
WHOOOOOO
FLOP
THANK YOU!
COOOOOOO
ゴロゴロ
LOOK!
rustle
I WONDER WHOSE HOUSE THAT IS.
HEY, MAYBE THAT'S WHERE PRESEA LIVES!

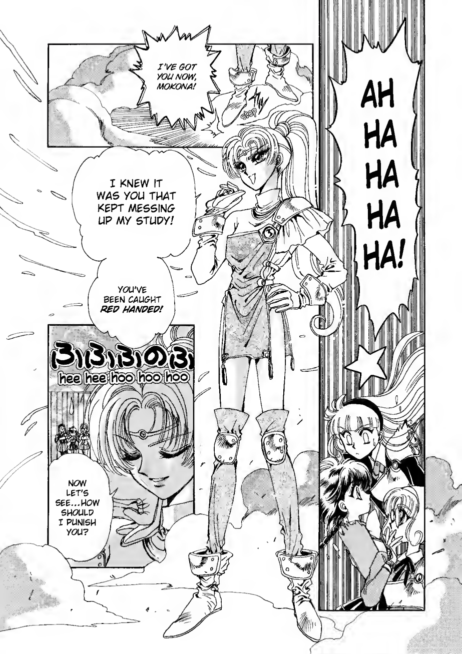

WAIT HERE.
rustle
ガサガサ
UM... HELLO?
ANYONE HOME...?
I THINK IT'S EMPTY.
slip
す
Wa!
わあっ
Creak!
ギイイーッ
THE DOOR WAS UN-LOCKED.
peek peek
キョロキョロ
HOW CARELESS!
scary

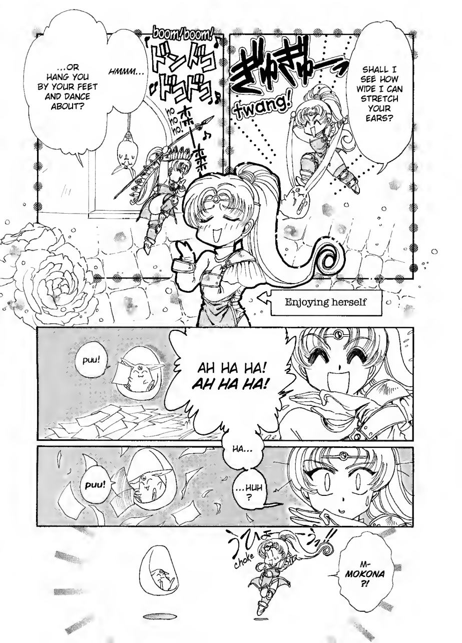

ふん
hmph
WELL, WHAT ARE WE WAITING FOR?
LET'S GO IN AND LOOK AROUND!
BUT ISN'T THAT RUDE?
COME ON! THIS CRAZY PLACE IS DIFFERENT THAN EARTH. WE'RE *SUPPOSED* TO BE ADVENTUROUS!
HMMM, YOU HAVE A POINT...
とてててっ
hurry hurry
NOW LOOK WHO THE ADVENTUROUS ONE IS...
ぱっ
pop
MY, MY!
ぱっ
pop
eh? eh?

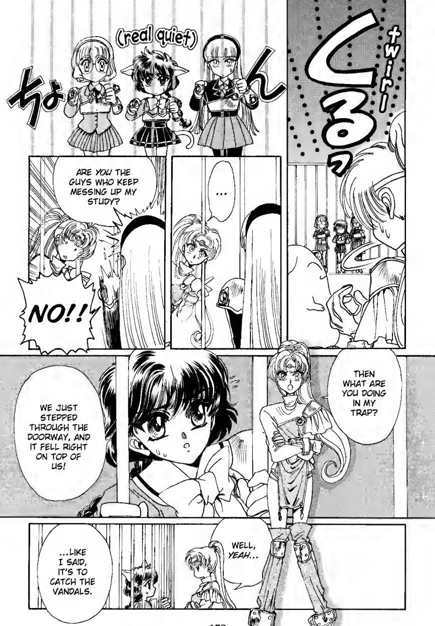

カタ。
rattle
ガタッ
rattle
I HEAR SOMEONE!
カタン
clank
カサ
sneak
コソ
peep
ガサッ
rustle
ガサガサ
rattle
UM... ARE YOU...
...PRESEA?
GURU CLEF SENT US TO MEET YOU!
くるっ
swirl!
カサ カサ
rustle rustle

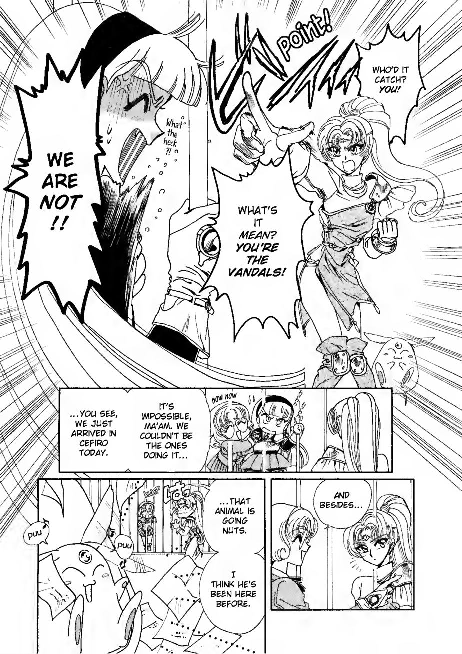

ちょこん っ
(suddenly quiet)
うにーっ
mmmm
P-P-P--
--PRESEA ...?
ガたたっ
dash

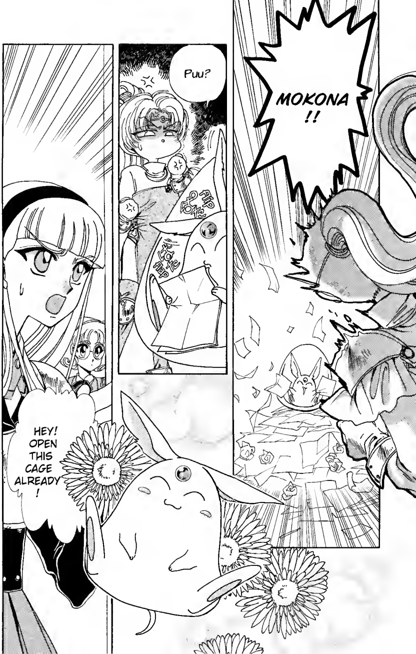

slide!
slam!
WAAAAAHHHH!!!
pitter patter
pitter patter
わたた たたた

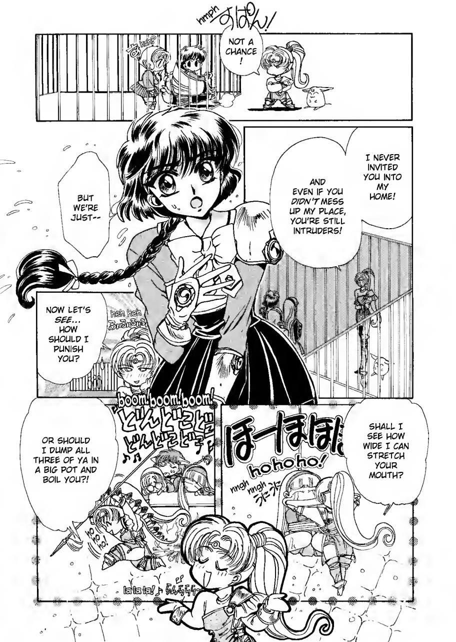

I'VE GOT YOU NOW, MOKONA!
step
AH HA HA HA HA!
I KNEW IT WAS YOU THAT KEPT MESSING UP MY STUDY!
YOU'VE BEEN CAUGHT *RED HANDED!*
ふぃふぃふぃのふ
hee hee hoo hoo hoo
NOW LET'S SEE...HOW SHOULD I PUNISH YOU?

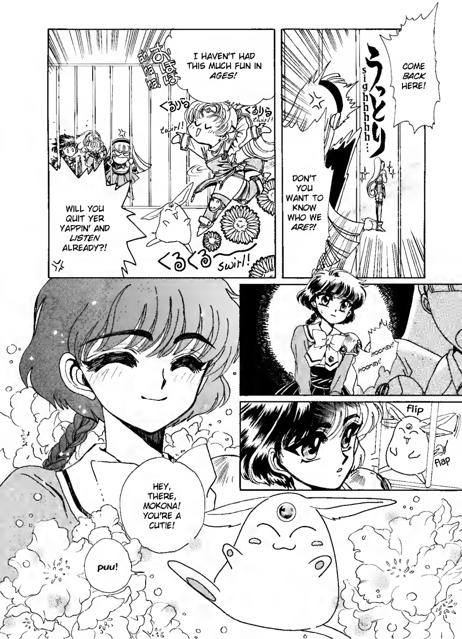

ぎゅぎゅー
twang!
SHALL I SEE HOW WIDE I CAN STRETCH YOUR EARS?
...OR HANG YOU BY YOUR FEET AND DANCE ABOUT?
HMMM...
boom!boom!
ドンドコドコドコ
ho ho ho!
ホーホー
Enjoying herself
AH HA HA! AH HA HA!
puu!
HA...
...HUH?
puu!
M-MOKONA?!
うひょーっ!!
choke

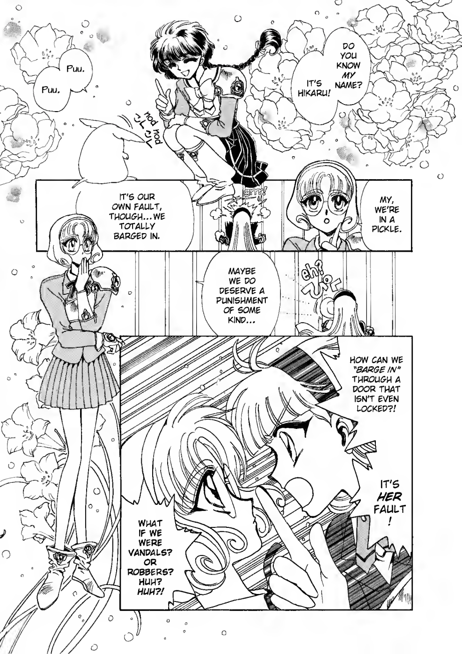

くるっ
twirl
ちょん
(real quiet)
...
ARE YOU THE GUYS WHO KEEP MESSING UP MY STUDY?
NO!!
THEN WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN MY TRAP?
WE JUST STEPPED THROUGH THE DOORWAY, AND IT FELL RIGHT ON TOP OF US!
WELL, *YEAH...*
...LIKE I SAID, IT'S TO CATCH THE VANDALS.

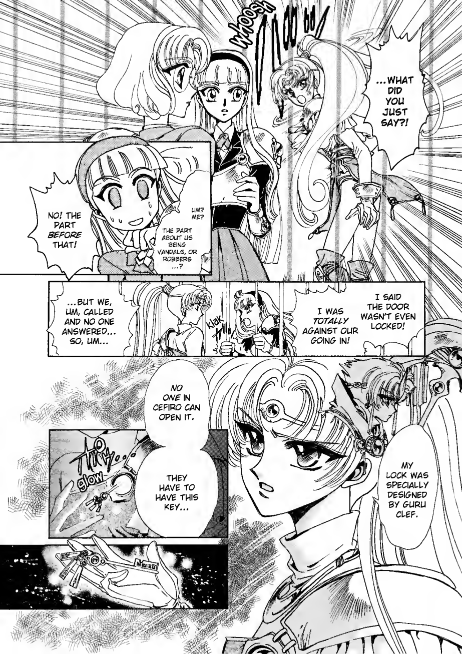

WHO'D IT CATCH? *YOU!*
point!
WHAT'S IT *MEAN?* ***YOU'RE THE VANDALS!***
What the heck?!
WE ARE *NOT* !!
now now
IT'S IMPOSSIBLE, MA'AM. WE COULDN'T BE THE ONES DOING IT...
...YOU SEE, WE JUST ARRIVED IN CEFIRO TODAY.
AND BESIDES...
...THAT ANIMAL IS GOING NUTS.
I THINK HE'S BEEN HERE BEFORE.
huh?
puu
puu

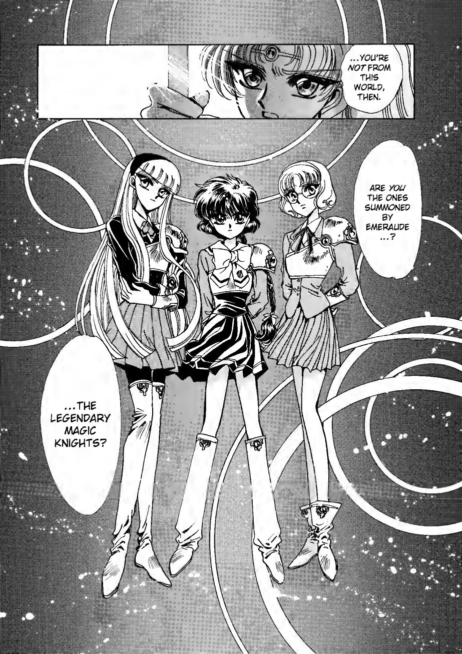

MOKONA !!
Puu?
ぱたっ flip
ぱたた flap
HEY! OPEN THIS CAGE ALREADY!

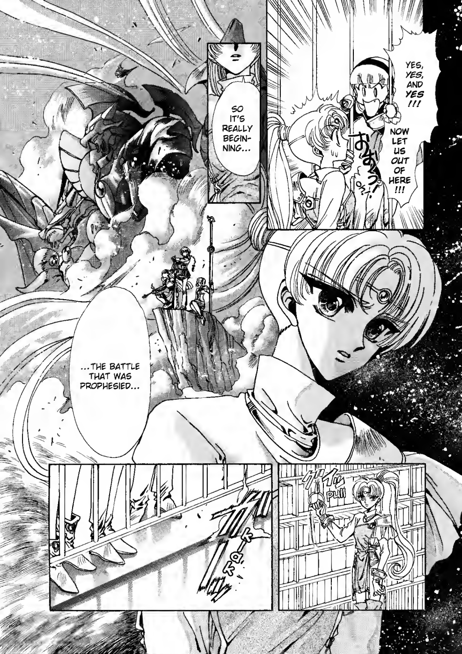

すぱん! hmph
NOT A CHANCE!
あ huh?
I NEVER INVITED YOU INTO MY HOME!
AND EVEN IF YOU *DIDN'T* MESS UP MY PLACE, YOU'RE STILL INTRUDERS!
BUT WE'RE JUST--
NOW LET'S *SEE*... HOW SHOULD I PUNISH YOU?
ふふふふ heh heh
ほーほほ hohoho!
SHALL I SEE HOW WIDE I CAN STRETCH YOUR MOUTH?
うにうに nngh nngh
どんどこどこ どんどこどこ boom! boom! boom!
OR SHOULD I DUMP ALL THREE OF YA IN A BIG POT AND BOIL YOU?!
ho ho ho!
らんらら~ la la la!

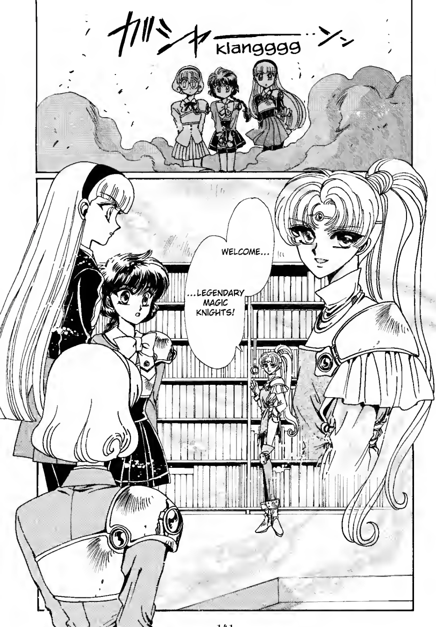

COME BACK HERE!
うっとり
sighhhhh...
DON'T YOU WANT TO KNOW WHO WE ARE?!
おほほ
ah ha ha!
I HAVEN'T HAD THIS MUCH FUN IN *AGES!*
くるりら
twirl!!
くるりら
twirl!!
WILL YOU QUIT YER YAPPIN' AND *LISTEN* ALREADY?!
くるくる
swirl!!
hooray!
hooray!
Flip
Flap
HEY, THERE, MOKONA! YOU'RE A CUTIE!
puu!

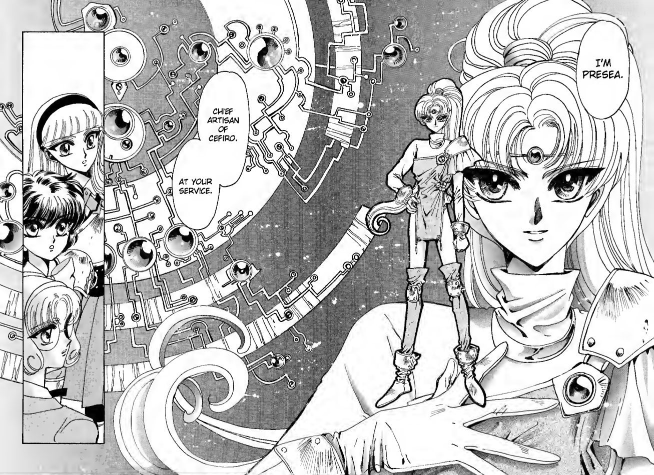

DO YOU KNOW *MY* NAME?
IT'S HIKARU!
Puu.
Puu.
nod nod
こく こく
MY, WE'RE IN A PICKLE.
grrr!
IT'S OUR OWN FAULT, THOUGH...WE TOTALLY BARGED IN.
eh?
ぴく
MAYBE WE DO DESERVE A PUNISHMENT OF SOME KIND...
HOW CAN WE *"BARGE IN"* THROUGH A DOOR THAT ISN'T EVEN LOCKED?!
IT'S *HER* FAULT!
WHAT IF WE WERE VANDALS? OR ROBBERS? HUH? *HUH?!*

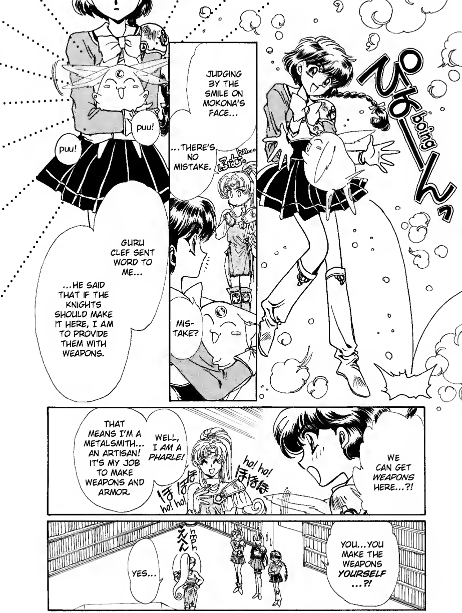

whoosh
...WHAT DID YOU JUST SAY?!
UM? ME?
THE PART ABOUT US BEING VANDALS, OR ROBBERS ...?
NO! THE PART BEFORE THAT!
I SAID THE DOOR WASN'T EVEN LOCKED!
I WAS TOTALLY AGAINST OUR GOING IN!
klak
...BUT WE, UM, CALLED AND NO ONE ANSWERED... SO, UM...
MY LOCK WAS SPECIALLY DESIGNED BY GURU CLEF.
NO ONE IN CEFIRO CAN OPEN IT.
THEY HAVE TO HAVE THIS KEY...
glow

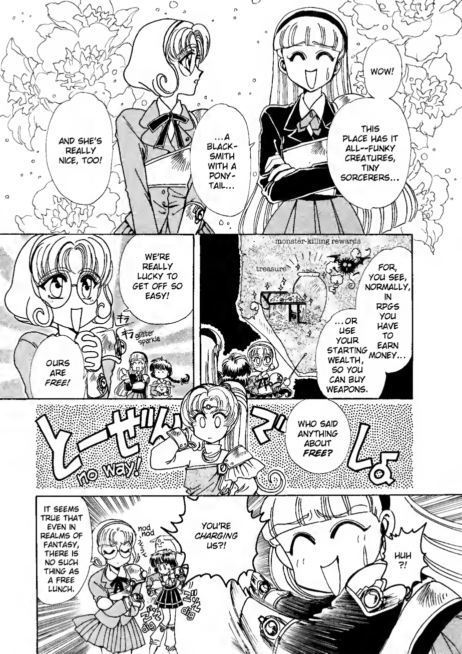

...YOU'RE *NOT* FROM THIS WORLD, THEN.
ARE *YOU* THE ONES SUMMONED BY EMERAUDE ...?
...THE LEGENDARY MAGIC KNIGHTS?

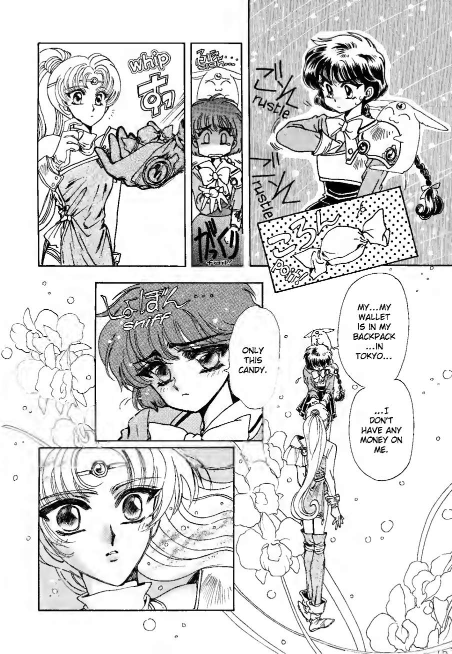

YES, YES, AND *YES* !!!
NOW LET US OUT OF HERE !!!
おおうっ!
Oh?!
SO IT'S REALLY BEGINNING...
...THE BATTLE THAT WAS PROPHESIED...
クイッ
PULL
K-lak

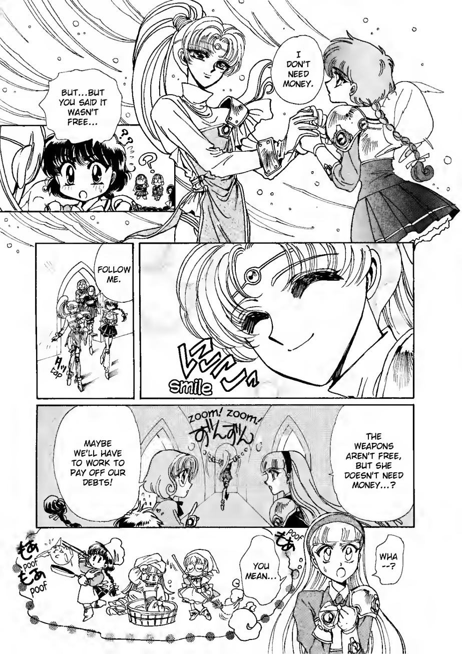

ガシャ———…ン
klangggg
WELCOME...
...LEGENDARY MAGIC KNIGHTS!

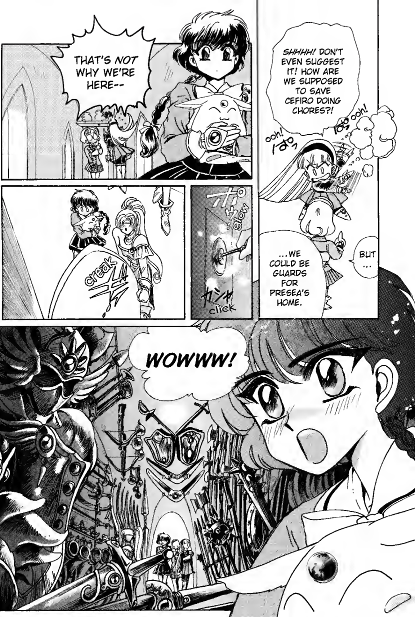

I'M PRESEA.
CHIEF ARTISAN OF CEFIRO.
AT YOUR SERVICE.

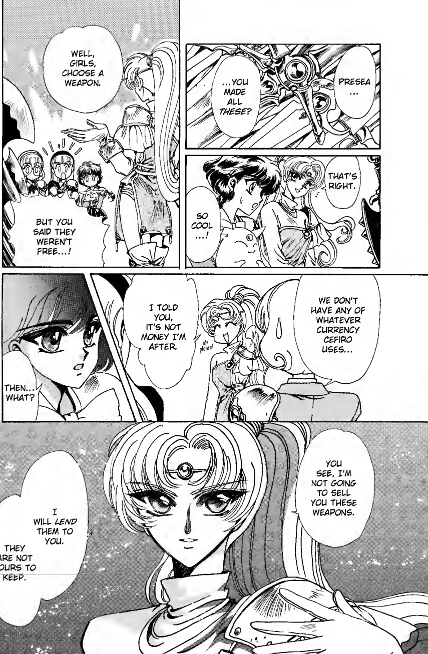

ぴよーん
boing
JUDGING BY THE SMILE ON MOKONA'S FACE...
...THERE'S NO MISTAKE.
ふむふむ
hm...
MIS-TAKE?
puu!
puu!
GURU CLEF SENT WORD TO ME...
...HE SAID THAT IF THE KNIGHTS SHOULD MAKE IT HERE, I AM TO PROVIDE THEM WITH WEAPONS.
WE CAN GET *WEAPONS* HERE...?!
ほほほ
ho! ho!
WELL, *I AM A PHARLE!*
THAT MEANS I'M A METALSMITH... AN ARTISAN! IT'S MY JOB TO MAKE WEAPONS AND ARMOR.
ほほ
ho! ho!
YOU...YOU MAKE THE WEAPONS ***YOURSELF*** ...?!
えへん
hmph
YES...

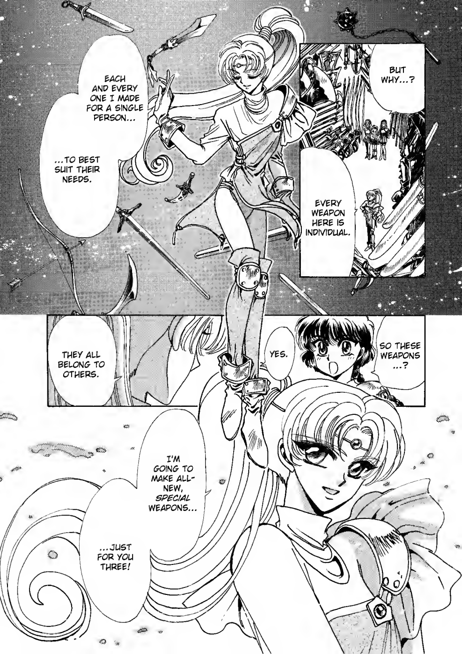

WOW!
THIS PLACE HAS IT ALL--FUNKY CREATURES, TINY SORCERERS...
...A BLACKSMITH WITH A PONYTAIL...
AND SHE'S REALLY NICE, TOO!
monster-killing rewards
treasure
FOR, YOU SEE, NORMALLY, IN RPGS YOU HAVE TO EARN MONEY...
...OR USE YOUR STARTING WEALTH, SO YOU CAN BUY WEAPONS.
WE'RE REALLY LUCKY TO GET OFF SO EASY!
キラ キラ glitter sparkle
OURS ARE FREE!
WHO SAID ANYTHING ABOUT *FREE*?
とーぜんでしょ
no way!
HUH ?!
YOU'RE CHARGING US?!
nod nod
うんうん
ごそ dig
ごそ dig
IT SEEMS TRUE THAT EVEN IN REALMS OF FANTASY, THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS A FREE LUNCH.

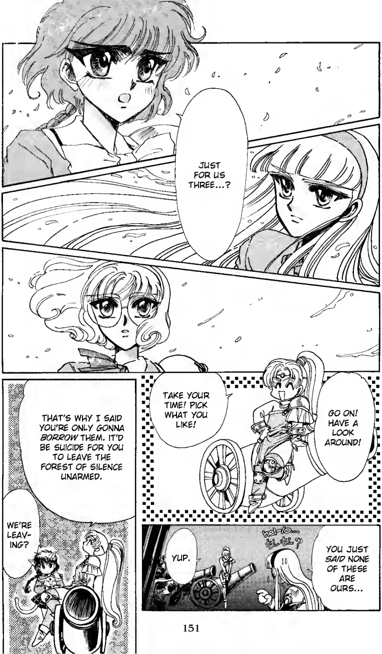

ごそ
rustle
ゴソ
rustle
ころん
poit!
ふえ…
sigh…
がっくり
fail!
whip
すっ
MY…MY WALLET IS IN MY BACKPACK …IN TOKYO…
…I DON'T HAVE ANY MONEY ON ME.
ONLY THIS CANDY.
しょぼん
sniff

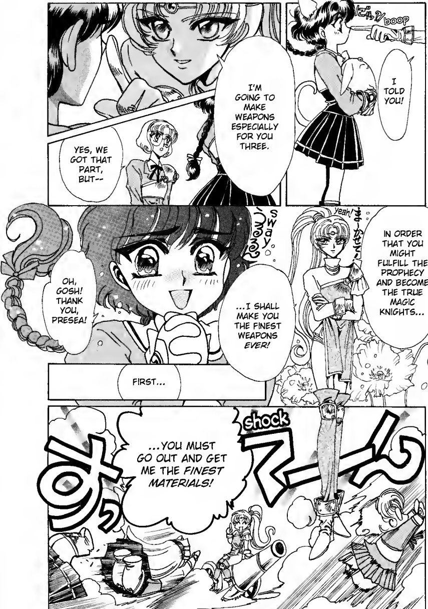

I DON'T NEED MONEY.
BUT...BUT YOU SAID IT WASN'T FREE...
?
?
Smile
FOLLOW ME.
タッ tap
THE WEAPONS AREN'T FREE, BUT SHE DOESN'T NEED MONEY...?
zoom! zoom!
ずんずん
MAYBE WE'LL HAVE TO WORK TO PAY OFF OUR DEBTS!
WHA --?
もあ POOF
YOU MEAN...
もあ poof
もあ poof

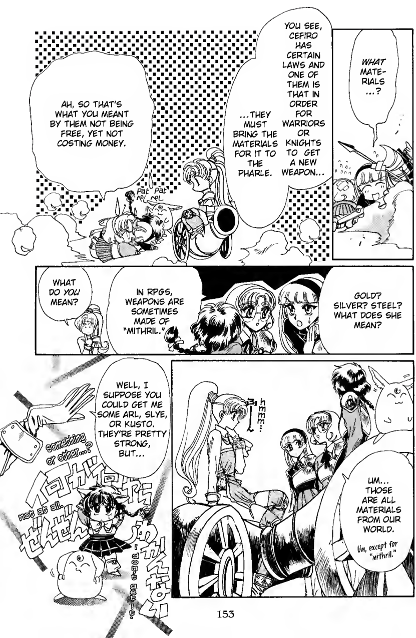

SHHHH! DON'T EVEN SUGGEST IT! HOW ARE WE SUPPOSED TO SAVE CEFIRO DOING CHORES?!
ooh! ooh!
BUT ...
...WE COULD BE GUARDS FOR PRESEA'S HOME.
THAT'S NOT WHY WE'RE HERE--
glow
カシャ click
creak
WOWWW!

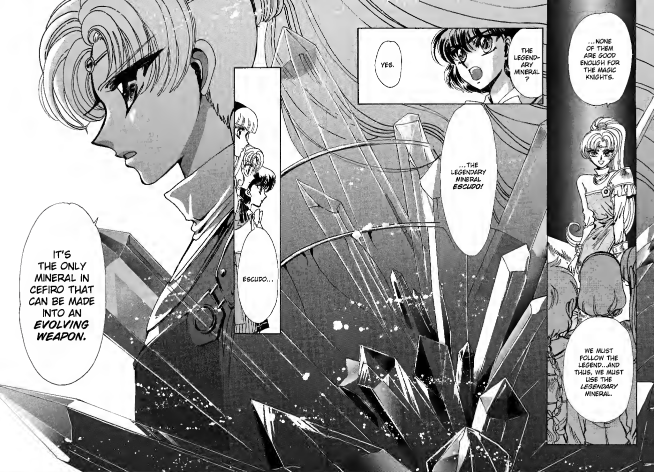

PRESEA ...
...YOU MADE ALL *THESE*?
THAT'S RIGHT.
SO COOL ...!
WELL, GIRLS, CHOOSE A WEAPON.
BUT YOU SAID THEY WEREN'T FREE...!
WE DON'T HAVE ANY OF WHATEVER CURRENCY CEFIRO USES...
I TOLD YOU, IT'S NOT MONEY I'M AFTER.
oh please!
THEN... WHAT?
YOU SEE, I'M NOT GOING TO SELL YOU THESE WEAPONS.
I WILL *LEND* THEM TO YOU.
THEY ARE NOT YOURS TO KEEP.

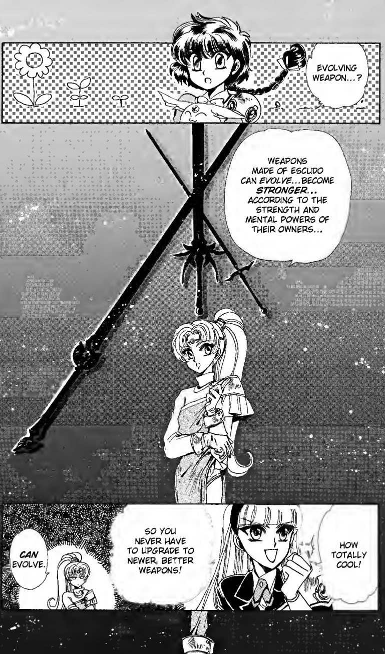

BUT WHY...?
EVERY WEAPON HERE IS INDIVIDUAL.
EACH AND EVERY ONE I MADE FOR A SINGLE PERSON...
...TO BEST SUIT THEIR NEEDS.
SO THESE WEAPONS ...?
YES.
THEY ALL BELONG TO OTHERS.
I'M GOING TO MAKE ALL-NEW, *SPECIAL* WEAPONS...
...JUST FOR YOU THREE!

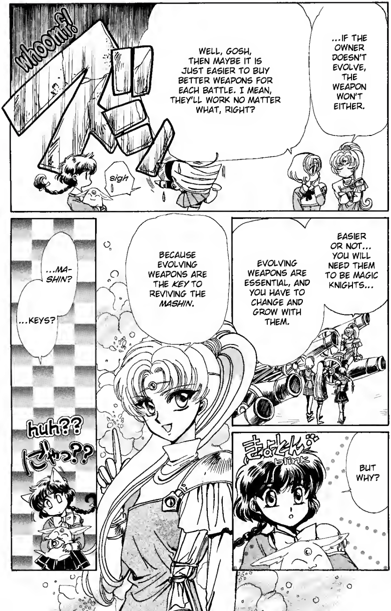

JUST FOR US THREE...?
GO ON! HAVE A LOOK AROUND!
TAKE YOUR TIME! PICK WHAT YOU LIKE!
YOU JUST *SAID* NONE OF THESE ARE OURS...
hel-lo... もしもし？
YUP.
THAT'S WHY I SAID YOU'RE ONLY GONNA *BORROW* THEM. IT'D BE SUICIDE FOR YOU TO LEAVE THE FOREST OF SILENCE UNARMED.
WE'RE LEAV-ING?

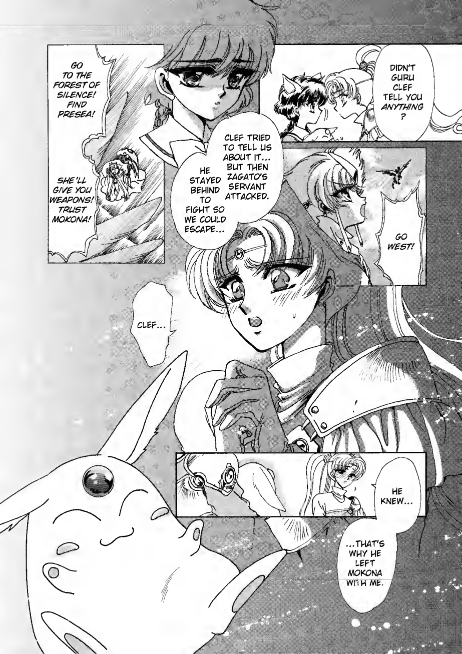

boop
I TOLD YOU!
I'M GOING TO MAKE WEAPONS ESPECIALLY FOR YOU THREE.
YES, WE GOT THAT PART, BUT--
Yeah! まかせて！
IN ORDER THAT YOU MIGHT FULFILL THE PROPHECY AND BECOME THE TRUE MAGIC KNIGHTS...
...I SHALL MAKE YOU THE FINEST WEAPONS *EVER!*
sway
OH, GOSH! THANK YOU, PRESEA!
FIRST...
shock
...YOU MUST GO OUT AND GET ME THE *FINEST MATERIALS!*

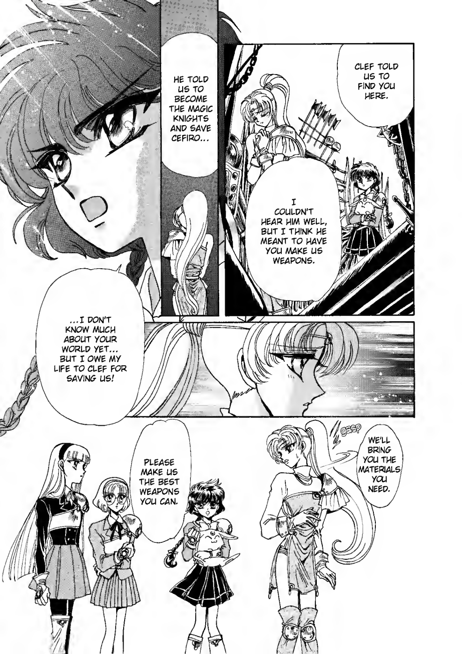

WHAT MATE-RIALS ...?
YOU SEE, CEFIRO HAS CERTAIN LAWS AND ONE OF THEM IS THAT IN ORDER FOR WARRIORS OR KNIGHTS TO GET A NEW WEAPON...
...THEY MUST BRING THE MATERIALS FOR IT TO THE PHARLE.
AH, SO THAT'S WHAT YOU MEANT BY THEM NOT BEING FREE, YET NOT COSTING MONEY.
Pat Pat
GOLD? SILVER? STEEL? WHAT DOES SHE MEAN?
IN RPGS, WEAPONS ARE SOMETIMES MADE OF "MITHRIL."
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
hmmm...
UM... THOSE ARE ALL MATERIALS FROM OUR WORLD.
Um, except for "mithril."
WELL, I SUPPOSE YOU COULD GET ME SOME ARL, SLYE, OR KUSTO. THEY'RE PRETTY STRONG, BUT...
何が何やら
something or other...?
ぜんぜんわかんない
not at all.
I don't get it.

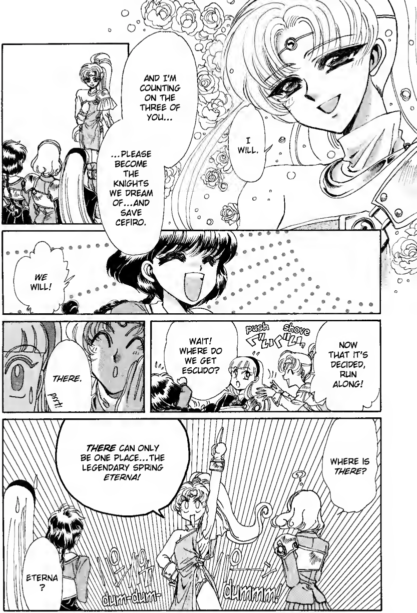

...NONE OF THEM ARE GOOD ENOUGH FOR THE MAGIC KNIGHTS.
WE MUST FOLLOW THE LEGEND...AND THUS, WE MUST USE THE *LEGENDARY* MINERAL.
THE LEGENDARY MINERAL?
YES.
...THE LEGENDARY MINERAL *ESCUDO!*
ESCUDO...
IT'S THE ONLY MINERAL IN CEFIRO THAT CAN BE MADE INTO AN *EVOLVING WEAPON.*

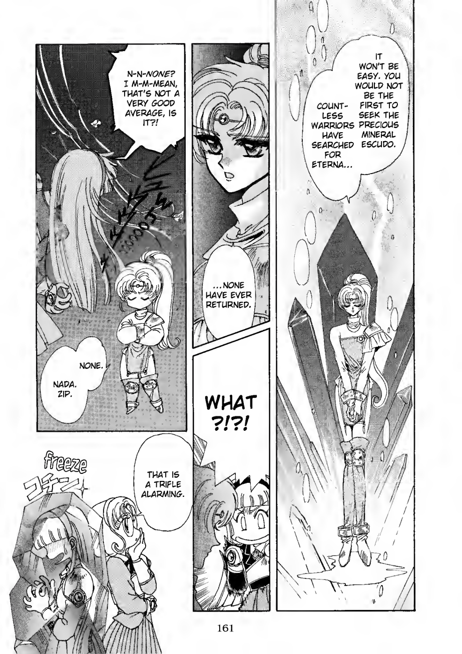

EVOLVING WEAPON...?
WEAPONS MADE OF ESCUDO CAN *EVOLVE*...BECOME ***STRONGER...*** ACCORDING TO THE STRENGTH AND MENTAL POWERS OF THEIR OWNERS...
CAN EVOLVE.
SO YOU NEVER HAVE TO UPGRADE TO NEWER, BETTER WEAPONS!
HOW TOTALLY COOL!

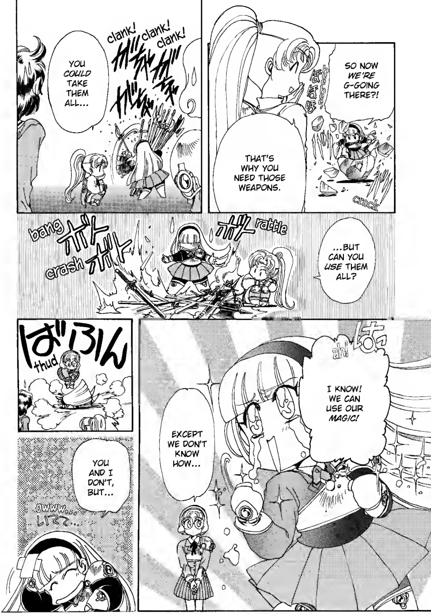

...IF THE OWNER DOESN'T EVOLVE, THE WEAPON WON'T EITHER.
WELL, GOSH, THEN MAYBE IT IS JUST EASIER TO BUY BETTER WEAPONS FOR EACH BATTLE. I MEAN, THEY'LL WORK NO MATTER WHAT, RIGHT?
whoomf!
sigh
EASIER OR NOT... YOU WILL NEED THEM TO BE MAGIC KNIGHTS...
EVOLVING WEAPONS ARE ESSENTIAL, AND YOU HAVE TO CHANGE AND GROW WITH THEM.
きょとん blink
BUT WHY?
BECAUSE EVOLVING WEAPONS ARE THE *KEY* TO REVIVING THE *MASHIN*.
...*MA-SHIN*?
...KEYS?
huh??
にゃっ??

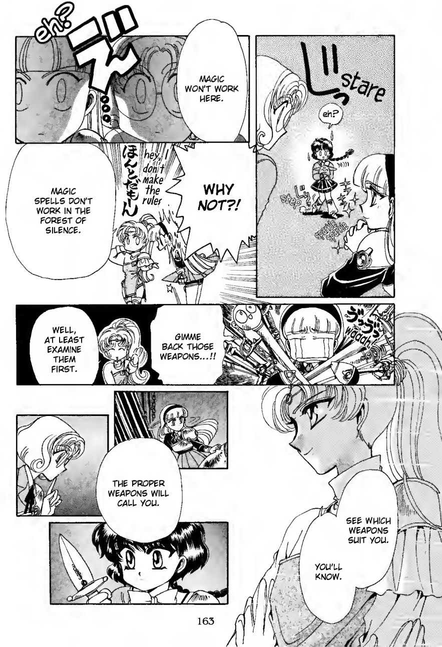

DIDN'T GURU CLEF TELL YOU ANYTHING?
CLEF TRIED TO TELL US ABOUT IT... BUT THEN ZAGATO'S SERVANT ATTACKED.
HE STAYED BEHIND TO FIGHT SO WE COULD ESCAPE...
GO WEST!
GO TO THE FOREST OF SILENCE! FIND PRESEA!
SHE'LL GIVE YOU WEAPONS! TRUST MOKONA!
CLEF...
HE KNEW...
...THAT'S WHY HE LEFT MOKONA WITH ME.

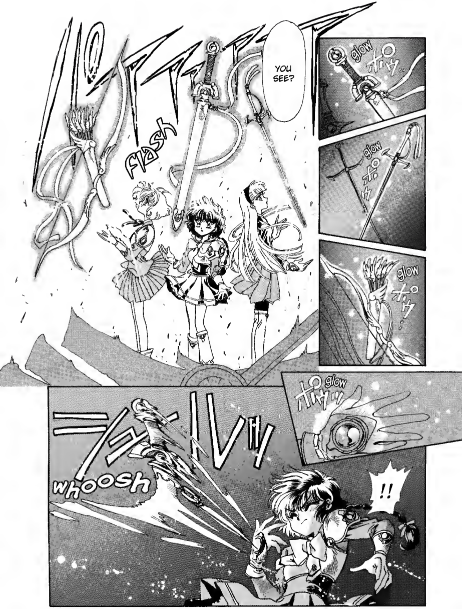

CLEF TOLD US TO FIND YOU HERE.
I COULDN'T HEAR HIM WELL, BUT I THINK HE MEANT TO HAVE YOU MAKE US WEAPONS.
HE TOLD US TO BECOME THE MAGIC KNIGHTS AND SAVE CEFIRO...
...I DON'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT YOUR WORLD YET... BUT I OWE MY LIFE TO CLEF FOR SAVING US!
PLEASE MAKE US THE BEST WEAPONS YOU CAN.
gasp
WE'LL BRING YOU THE MATERIALS YOU NEED.

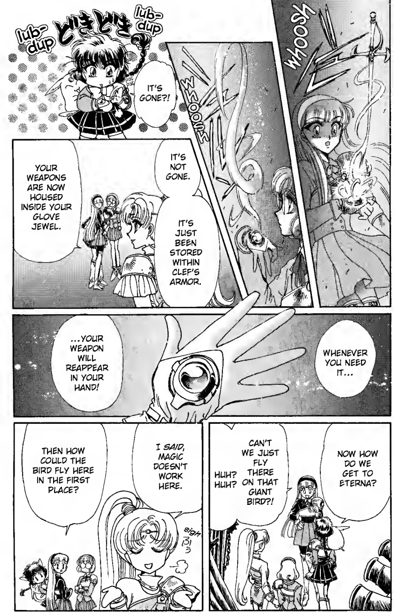

AND I'M COUNTING ON THE THREE OF YOU...
...PLEASE BECOME THE KNIGHTS WE DREAM OF...AND SAVE CEFIRO.
I WILL.
WE WILL!
NOW THAT IT'S DECIDED, RUN ALONG!
push
shove
WAIT! WHERE DO WE GET ESCUDO?
THERE.
psst!
WHERE IS *THERE*?
THERE CAN ONLY BE ONE PLACE...THE LEGENDARY SPRING *ETERNA!*
ETERNA ?
dum-dum-
dummmm!

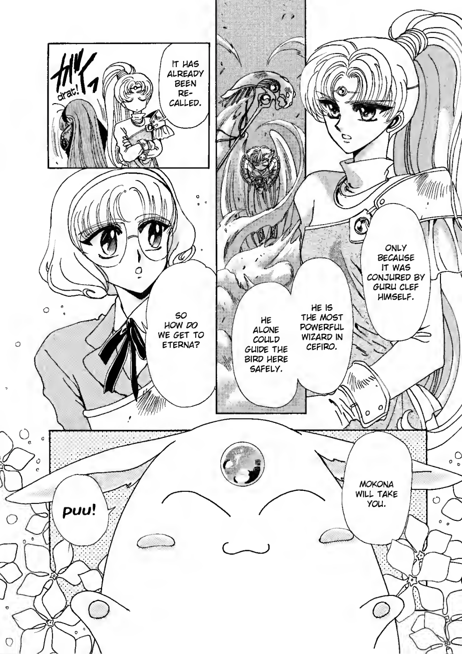

IT WON'T BE EASY. YOU WOULD NOT BE THE FIRST TO SEEK THE PRECIOUS MINERAL ESCUDO.
COUNT-LESS WARRIORS HAVE SEARCHED FOR ETERNA...
...NONE HAVE EVER RETURNED.
N-N-*NONE?* I M-M-MEAN, THAT'S NOT A VERY GOOD AVERAGE, IS IT?!
NONE.
NADA. ZIP.
WHAT ?!?!
THAT IS A TRIFLE ALARMING.
freeze
コチン

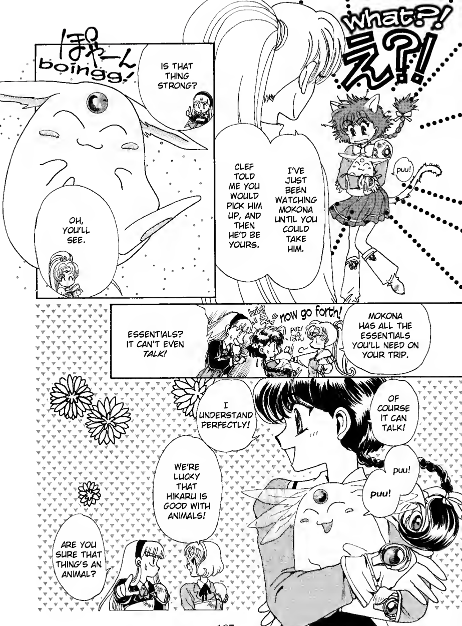

SO NOW WE'RE G-GOING THERE?!
heehee
ほほほ
THAT'S WHY YOU NEED THOSE WEAPONS.
crack
YOU COULD TAKE THEM ALL...
clank! clank! clank!
...BUT CAN YOU USE THEM ALL?
rattle
bang
crash
ah!
I KNOW! WE CAN USE OUR MAGIC!
EXCEPT WE DON'T KNOW HOW...
ばふん
thud
YOU AND I DON'T, BUT...
owww...
いてて...

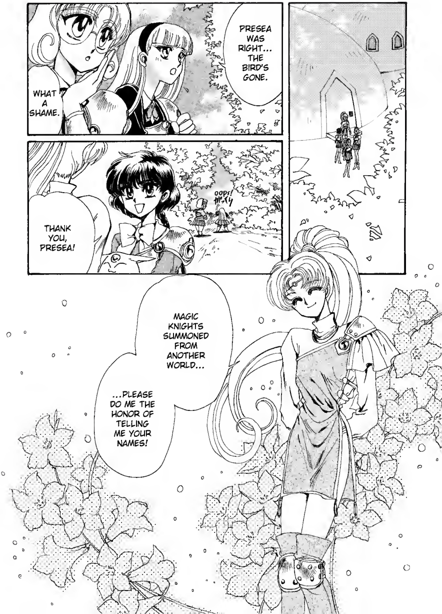

じっ
stare
eh?
じりっ
step
sparkle sparkle
eh?
ずい
MAGIC WON'T WORK HERE.
WHY NOT?!
hey, I don't make the rules
ほんとだもん
MAGIC SPELLS DON'T WORK IN THE FOREST OF SILENCE.
うううう
waaah!
GIMME BACK THOSE WEAPONS...!!
WELL, AT LEAST EXAMINE THEM FIRST.
SEE WHICH WEAPONS SUIT YOU.
YOU'LL KNOW.
THE PROPER WEAPONS WILL CALL YOU.

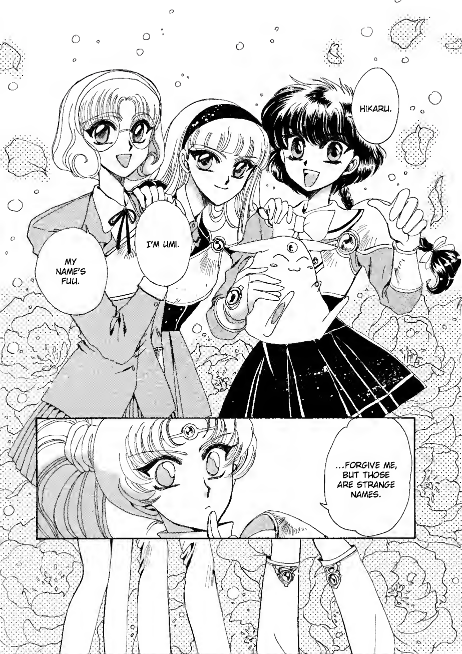

YOU SEE?
パアアアアア
flash
ポゥ…
glow
ポゥ…
glow
ポゥ…
glow
ポゥッ
glow
!!
シュルッ
whoosh

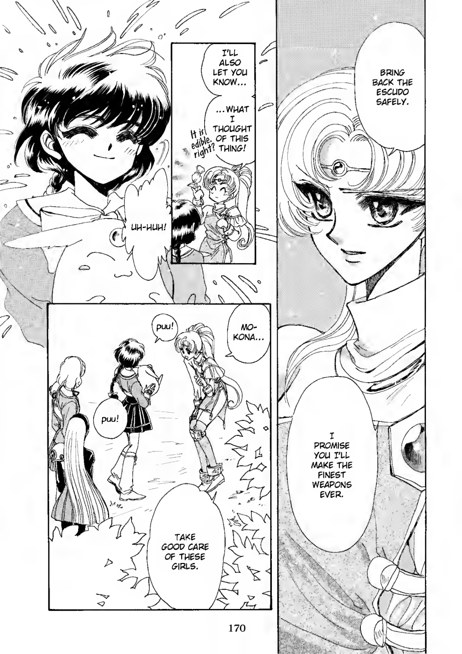

WHOOSH
WHOOSH
lub-dup どきどき lub-dup
pat pat
IT'S GONE?!
IT'S NOT GONE.
IT'S JUST BEEN STORED WITHIN CLEF'S ARMOR.
YOUR WEAPONS ARE NOW HOUSED INSIDE YOUR GLOVE JEWEL.
WHENEVER YOU NEED IT...
...YOUR WEAPON WILL REAPPEAR IN YOUR HAND!
NOW HOW DO WE GET TO ETERNA?
CAN'T WE JUST FLY THERE ON THAT GIANT BIRD?!
HUH? HUH?
I *SAID*, MAGIC DOESN'T WORK HERE.
sigh ふぅ
THEN HOW COULD THE BIRD FLY HERE IN THE FIRST PLACE?

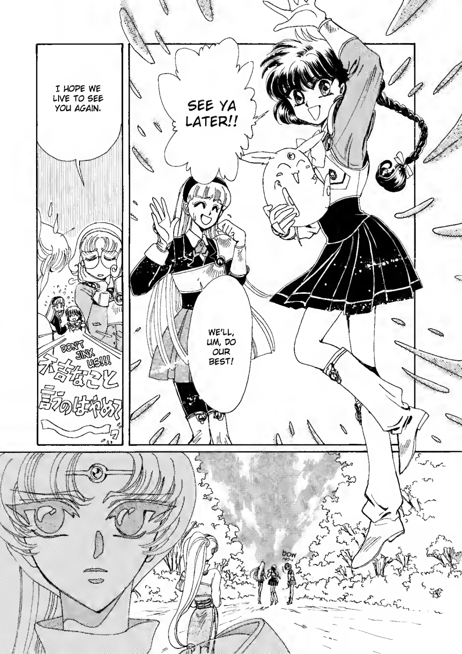

IT HAS ALREADY BEEN RE-CALLED.
ガツ
drat!
ONLY BECAUSE IT WAS CONJURED BY GURU CLEF HIMSELF.
HE IS THE MOST POWERFUL WIZARD IN CEFIRO.
HE ALONE COULD GUIDE THE BIRD HERE SAFELY.
SO HOW DO WE GET TO ETERNA?
MOKONA WILL TAKE YOU.
puu!

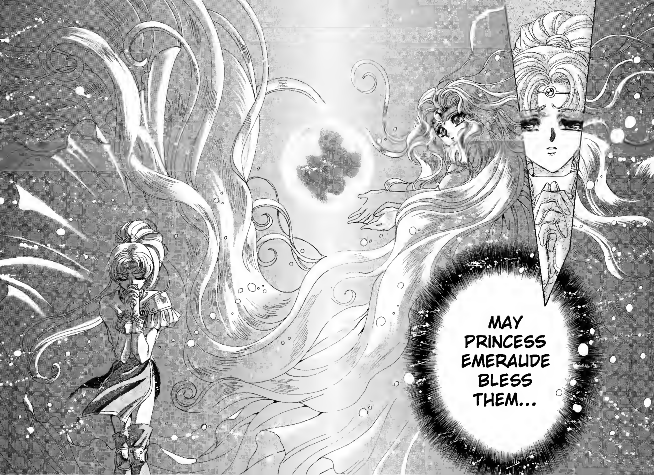

what?!
え?!
CLEF TOLD ME YOU WOULD PICK HIM UP, AND THEN HE'D BE YOURS.
I'VE JUST BEEN WATCHING MOKONA UNTIL YOU COULD TAKE HIM.
puu!
ぽや〜ん
boingg!
IS THAT THING STRONG?
OH, YOU'LL SEE.
MOKONA HAS ALL THE ESSENTIALS YOU'LL NEED ON YOUR TRIP.
now go forth!
pat!
ぽん
huh?
え?
ESSENTIALS? IT CAN'T EVEN *TALK!*
OF COURSE IT CAN TALK!
I UNDERSTAND PERFECTLY!
puu!
puu!
WE'RE LUCKY THAT HIKARU IS GOOD WITH ANIMALS!
ARE YOU SURE THAT THING'S AN ANIMAL?

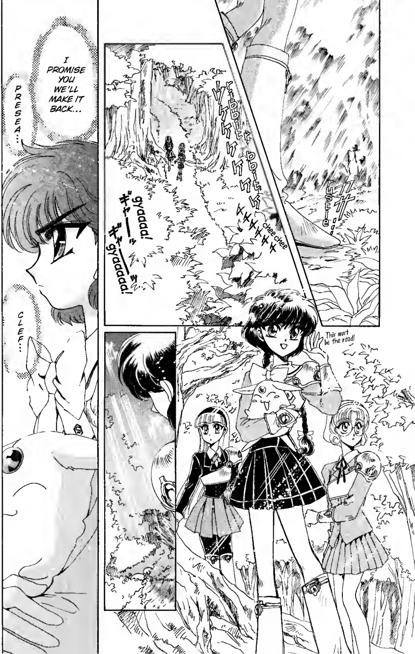

PRESEA WAS RIGHT... THE BIRD'S GONE.
WHAT A SHAME.
oops!
THANK YOU, PRESEA!
MAGIC KNIGHTS SUMMONED FROM ANOTHER WORLD...
...PLEASE DO ME THE HONOR OF TELLING ME YOUR NAMES!

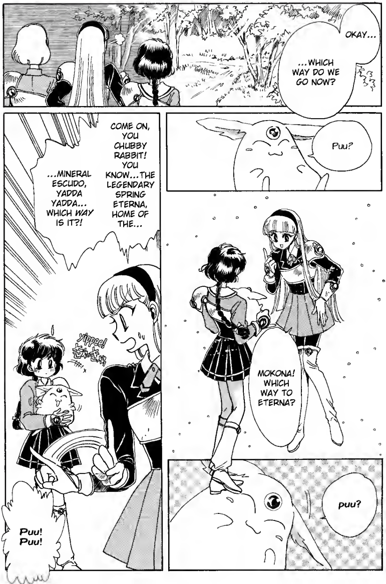

HIKARU.
I'M UMI.
MY NAME'S FUU.
...FORGIVE ME, BUT THOSE ARE STRANGE NAMES.

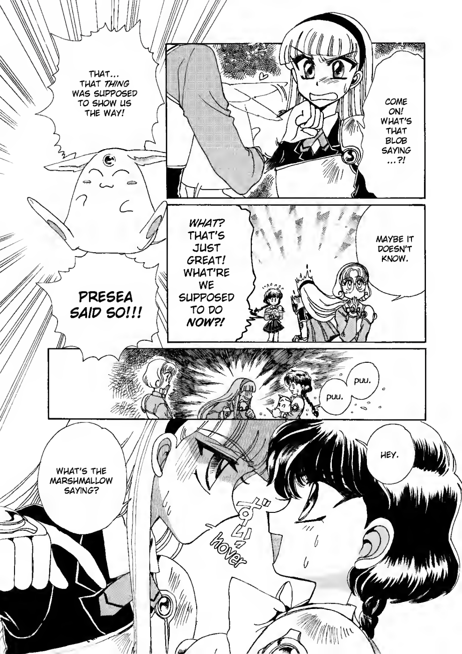

BRING BACK THE ESCUDO SAFELY.
I PROMISE YOU I'LL MAKE THE FINEST WEAPONS EVER.
I'LL ALSO LET YOU KNOW...
...WHAT I THOUGHT OF THIS THING!
It is edible, right?
UH-HUH!
MO-KONA...
puu!
puu!
TAKE GOOD CARE OF THESE GIRLS.

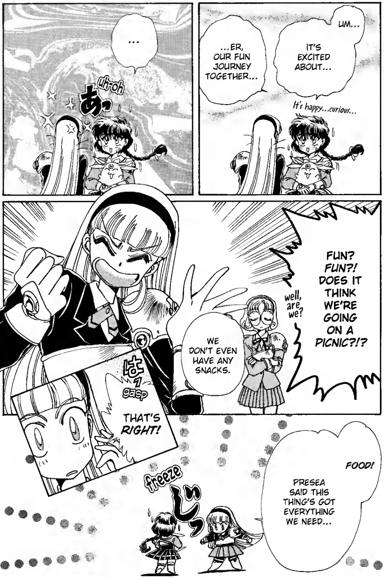

SEE YA LATER!!
WE'LL, UM, DO OUR BEST!
I HOPE WE LIVE TO SEE YOU AGAIN.
DON'T JINX US!!!
不吉なこと言うのはやめて〜〜〜ッ
bow

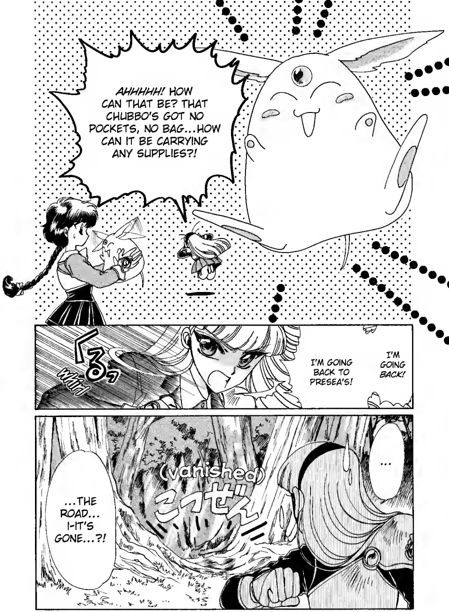

MAY PRINCESS EMERAUDE BLESS THEM...

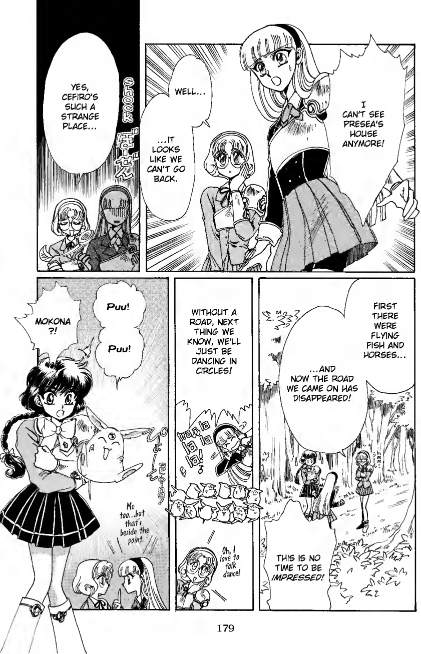

ガサ
rustle...
ケケケケケケ
ribbit ribbit
チチチチチチ
chee chee
ギャー
gyaaa!
ギャーッ
gyaaaaa!
This must be the road!
I PROMISE YOU WE'LL MAKE IT BACK...
PRESEA...
CLEF...

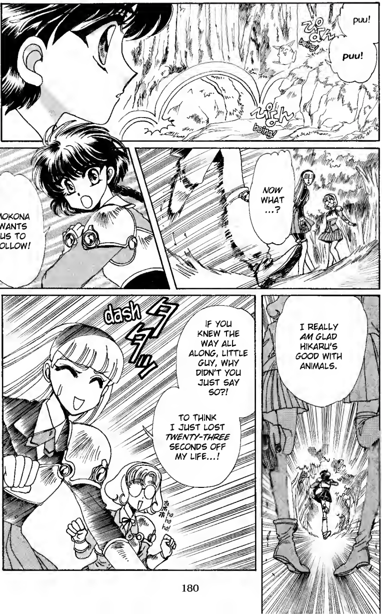

OKAY...
...WHICH WAY DO WE GO NOW?
Puu?
MOKONA! WHICH WAY TO ETERNA?
puu?
COME ON, YOU CHUBBY RABBIT! YOU KNOW...THE LEGENDARY SPRING ETERNA, HOME OF THE...
...MINERAL ESCUDO, YADDA YADDA... WHICH *WAY* IS IT?!
yippee!
Puu! Puu!

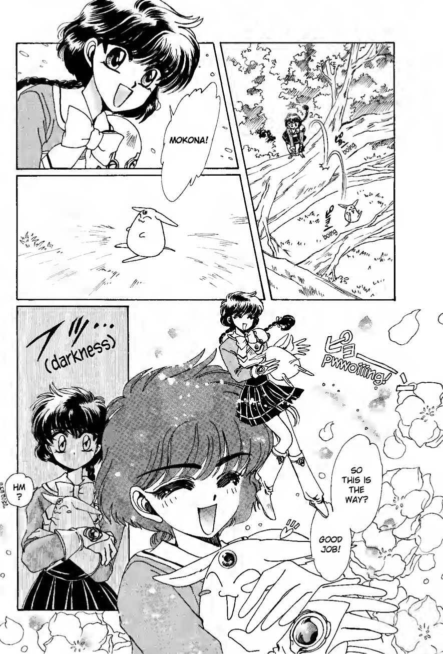

COME ON! WHAT'S THAT BLOB SAYING ...?!
THAT... THAT *THING* WAS SUPPOSED TO SHOW US THE WAY!
MAYBE IT DOESN'T KNOW.
WHAT? THAT'S JUST GREAT! WHAT'RE WE SUPPOSED TO DO *NOW?!*
PRESEA SAID SO!!!
puu.
puu.
HEY.
WHAT'S THE MARSHMALLOW SAYING?
ずいっ
hover

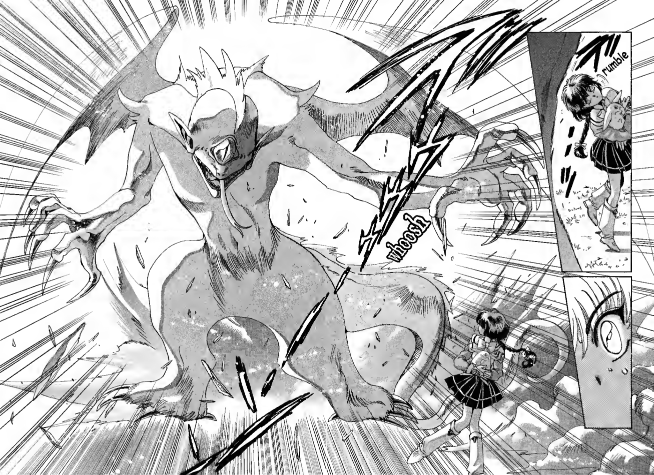

UM...
IT'S EXCITED ABOUT...
...ER, OUR FUN JOURNEY TOGETHER...
It's happy...curious...
...
あっ uh-oh
FUN? FUN?! DOES IT THINK WE'RE GOING ON A PICNIC?!?
well, are we?
WE DON'T EVEN HAVE ANY SNACKS.
はっ gasp
THAT'S RIGHT!
FOOD! PRESEA SAID THIS THING'S GOT EVERYTHING WE NEED...
じっ freeze

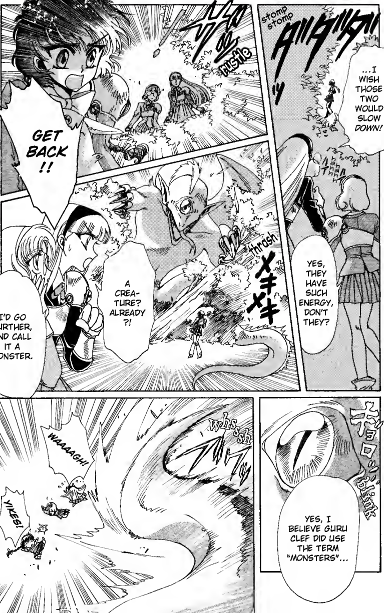

AHHHHH! HOW CAN THAT BE? THAT CHUBBO'S GOT NO POCKETS, NO BAG...HOW CAN IT BE CARRYING ANY SUPPLIES?!
I'M GOING BACK!
I'M GOING BACK TO PRESEA'S!
くるっ
whirl
...
(vanished)
こつぜん
...THE ROAD... I-IT'S GONE...?!

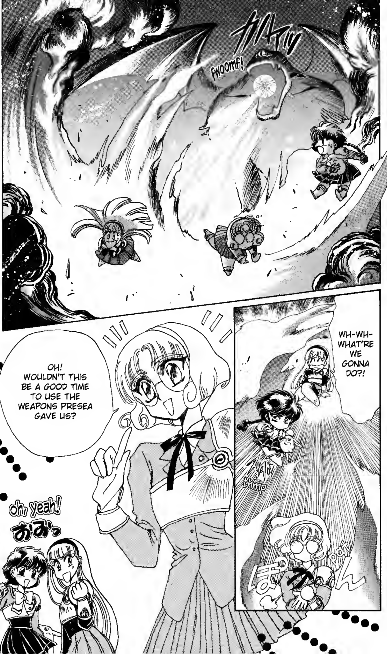

I CAN'T SEE PRESEA'S HOUSE ANYMORE!
WELL...
...IT LOOKS LIKE WE CAN'T GO BACK.
Shock
ぼーぜん
YES, CEFIRO'S SUCH A STRANGE PLACE...
FIRST THERE WERE FLYING FISH AND HORSES...
...AND NOW THE ROAD WE CAME ON HAS DISAPPEARED!
うーん
HMM...
THIS IS NO TIME TO BE *IMPRESSED!*
WITHOUT A ROAD, NEXT THING WE KNOW, WE'LL JUST BE DANCING IN CIRCLES!
tra la la la la!
Oh, I love to folk dance!
Puu!
Puu!
MOKONA ?!
ぴょーん
Splorng!
Me too...but that's beside the point.

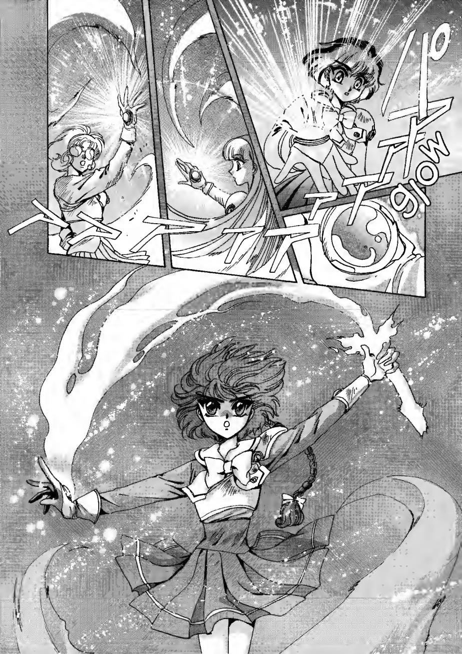

puu!
puu!
boing!
boing!
NOW WHAT ...?
MOKONA WANTS US TO FOLLOW!
I REALLY *AM* GLAD HIKARU'S GOOD WITH ANIMALS.
dash
IF YOU KNEW THE WAY ALL ALONG, LITTLE GUY, WHY DIDN'T YOU JUST SAY SO?!
TO THINK I JUST LOST *TWENTY-THREE* SECONDS OFF MY LIFE...!
ho ho ho!

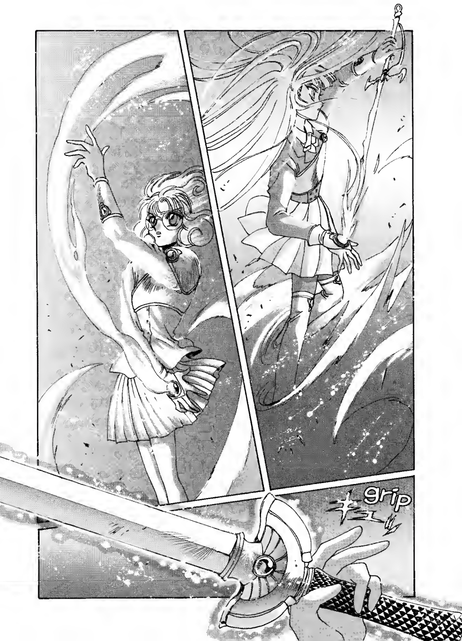

boing
boing
MOKONA!
ピョ
Pwwoiiing!
SO THIS IS THE WAY?
GOOD JOB!
フッ…
(darkness)
HM ?
shadow?

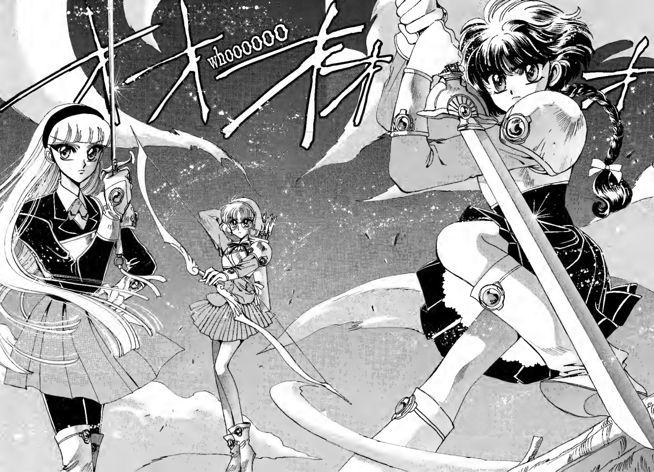

rumble
whoosh

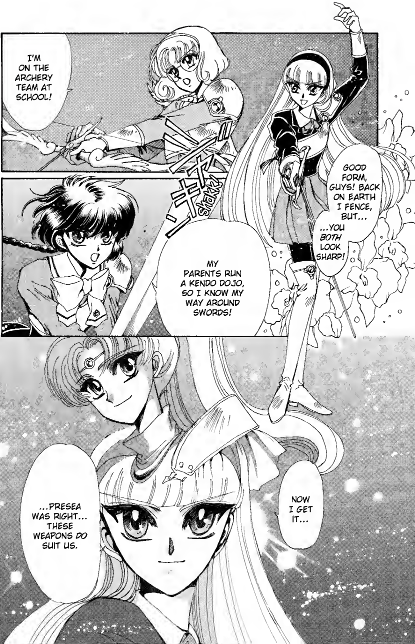

stomp stomp
タッタッタッ
...I WISH THOSE TWO WOULD SLOW DOWN!
hah hah
YES, THEY HAVE SUCH ENERGY, DON'T THEY?
rustle
GET BACK!!
thrash
メキメキ
A CREATURE? ALREADY?!
I'D GO FURTHER, AND CALL IT A MONSTER.
blink
YES, I BELIEVE GURU CLEF DID USE THE TERM "MONSTERS"...
whssh
WAAAAGH!
YIKES!

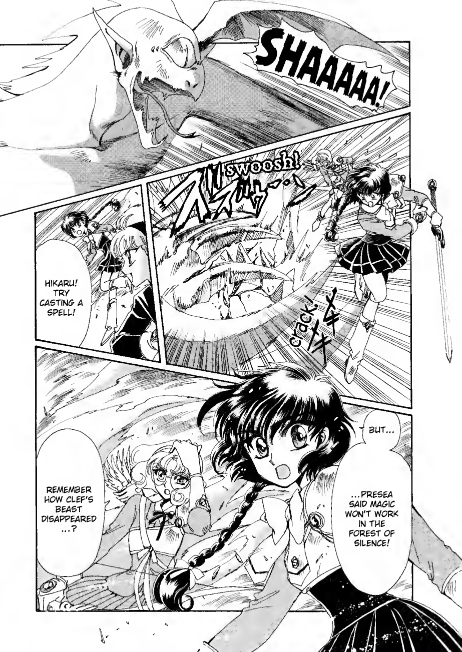

カハァ!!
FWOOMF!
WH-WH-WHAT'RE WE GONNA DO?!
THMP
ぽん
pat
OH! WOULDN'T THIS BE A GOOD TIME TO USE THE WEAPONS PRESEA GAVE US?
oh yeah!
おおっ

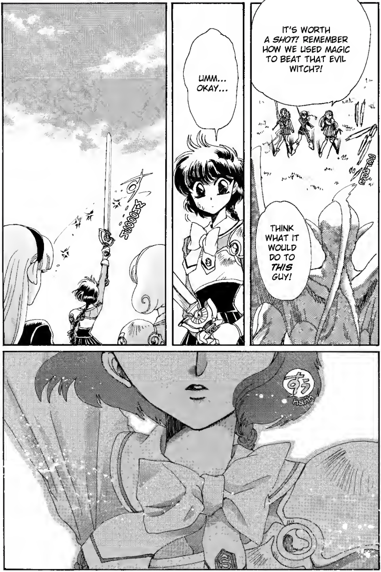

パァァァァァァァ
glow

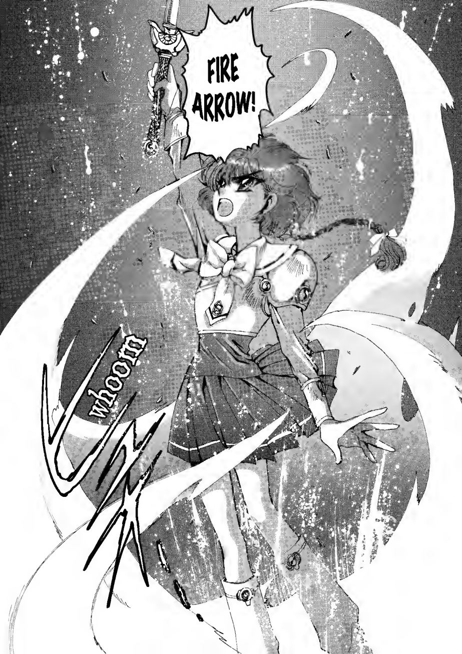

キュ
grip

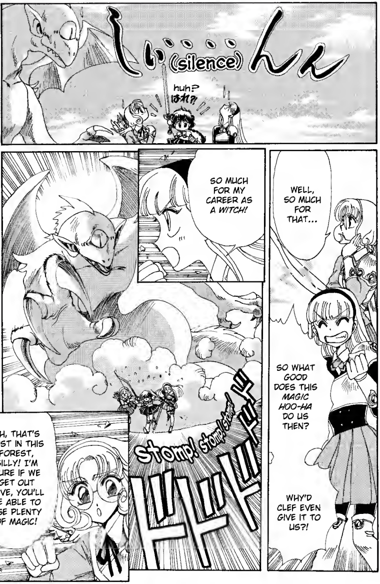

オオオーオオ
whoooooo

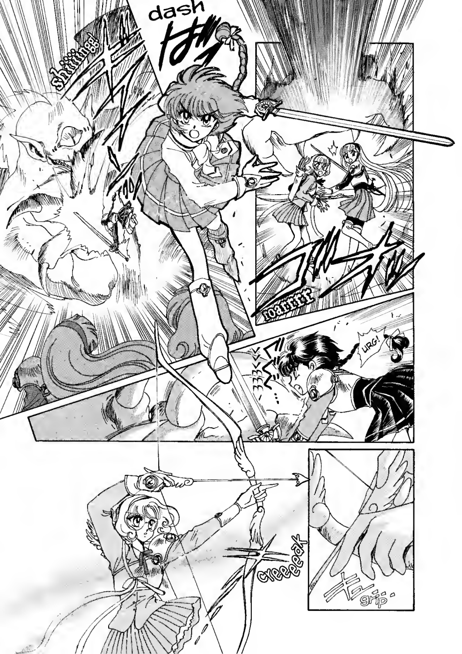

I'M ON THE ARCHERY TEAM AT SCHOOL!
shakk!
MY PARENTS RUN A KENDO DOJO, SO I KNOW MY WAY AROUND SWORDS!
GOOD FORM, GUYS! BACK ON EARTH I FENCE, BUT...
...YOU *BOTH* LOOK SHARP!
NOW I GET IT...
...PRESEA WAS RIGHT... THESE WEAPONS *DO* SUIT US.

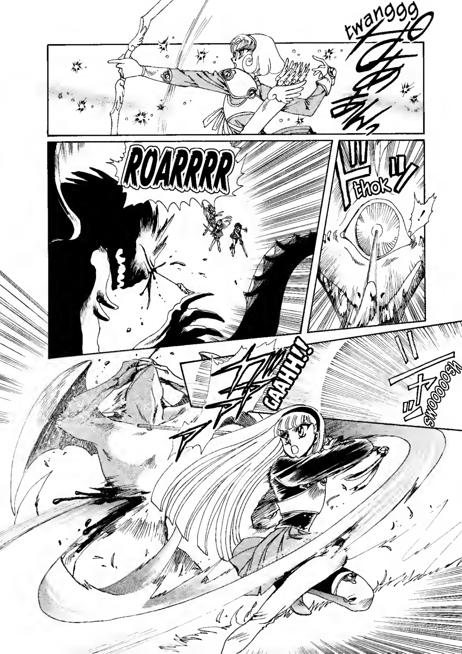

SHAAAAA!
swoosh!
HIKARU! TRY CASTING A SPELL!
crack!
BUT...
...PRESEA SAID MAGIC WON'T WORK IN THE FOREST OF SILENCE!
REMEMBER HOW CLEF'S BEAST DISAPPEARED ...?

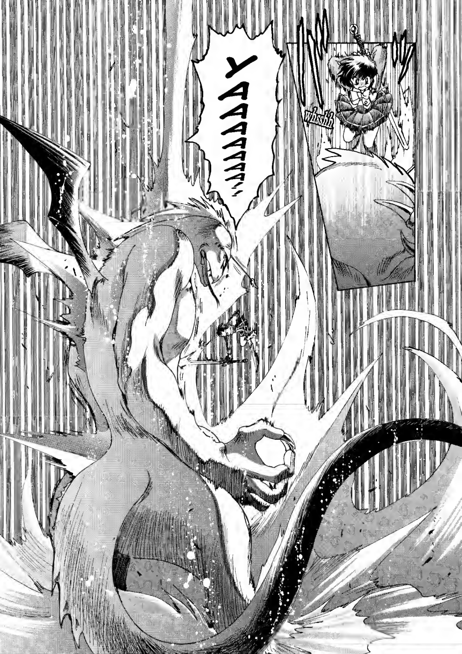

IT'S WORTH A *SHOT!* REMEMBER HOW WE USED MAGIC TO BEAT THAT EVIL WITCH?!
THINK WHAT IT WOULD DO TO *THIS* GUY!
UMM... OKAY...
SWOOOSH
hank


FIRE ARROW!
whoom

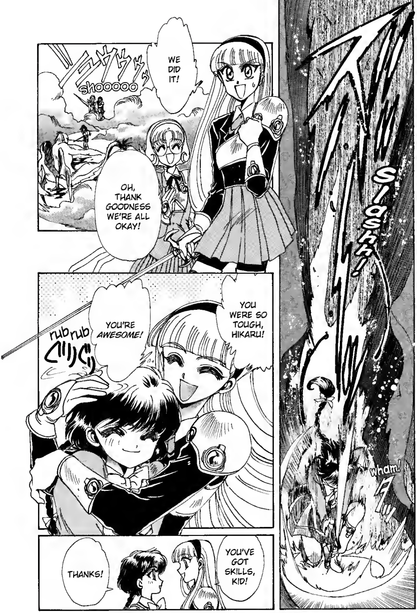

しぃ…ぃんん
(silence)
huh?
はれ?!
WELL, SO MUCH FOR THAT...
SO MUCH FOR MY CAREER AS A *WITCH!*
SO WHAT GOOD DOES THIS *MAGIC HOO-HA* DO US THEN?
WHY'D CLEF EVEN GIVE IT TO US?!
stomp! stomp! stomp!
ドドドドド
OH, THAT'S JUST IN THIS FOREST, SILLY! I'M SURE IF WE GET OUT ALIVE, YOU'LL BE ABLE TO USE PLENTY OF MAGIC!

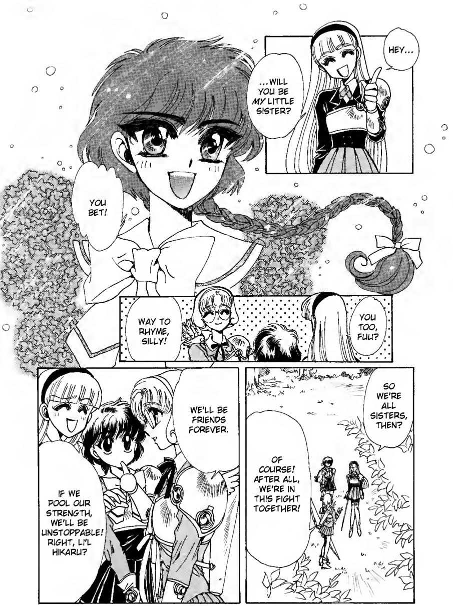

dash
ばっ
shiiiing!
roarrrr
URG!
creeeeak
grip

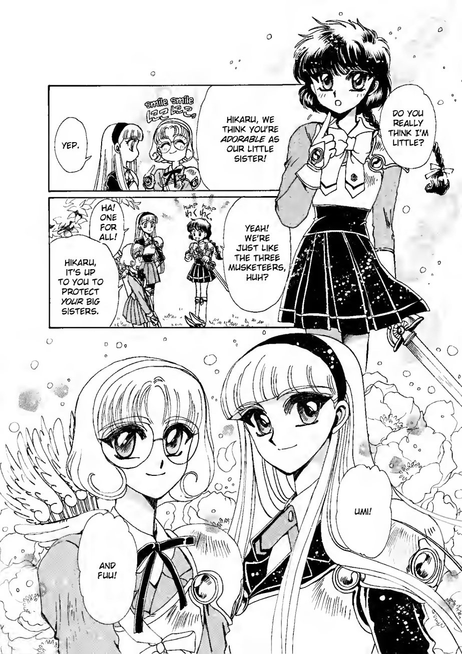

twanggg
thok
ROARRRR
SWOOOOSH
GAAHH!!

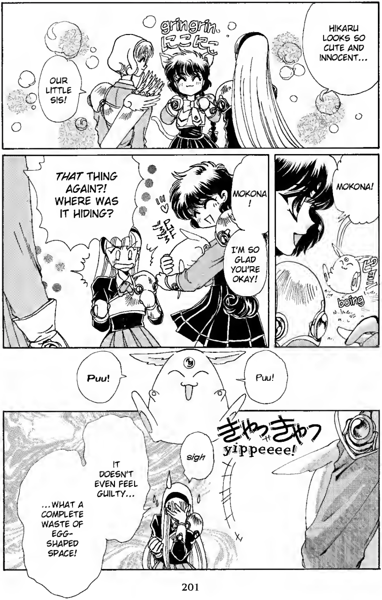


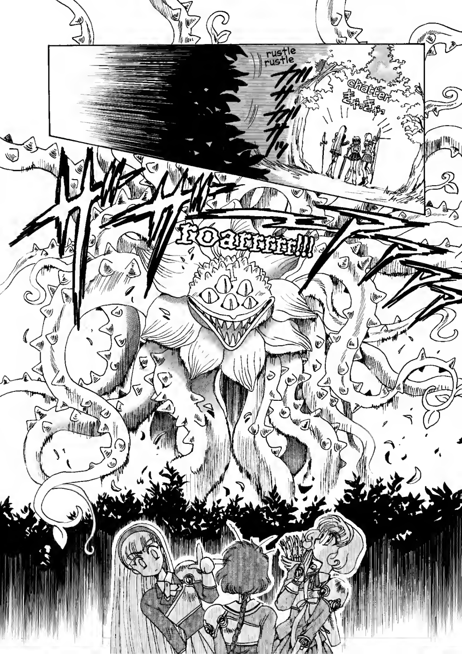
YAAAAAAAA!!
whsshh

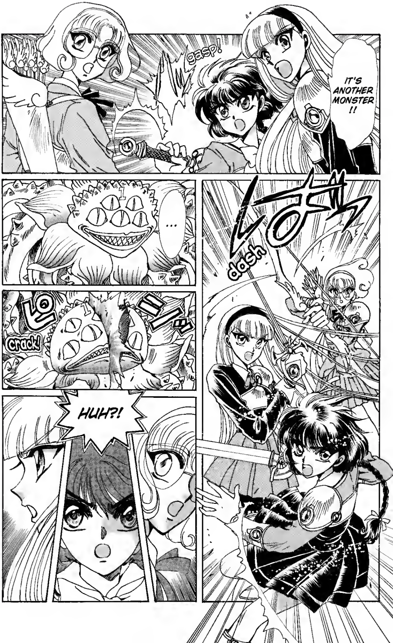

Slashh!
wham!
shoooooo
WE DID IT!
OH, THANK GOODNESS WE'RE ALL OKAY!
YOU WERE SO TOUGH, HIKARU!
YOU'RE AWESOME!
rub rub
ぐりぐり
YOU'VE GOT SKILLS, KID!
THANKS!

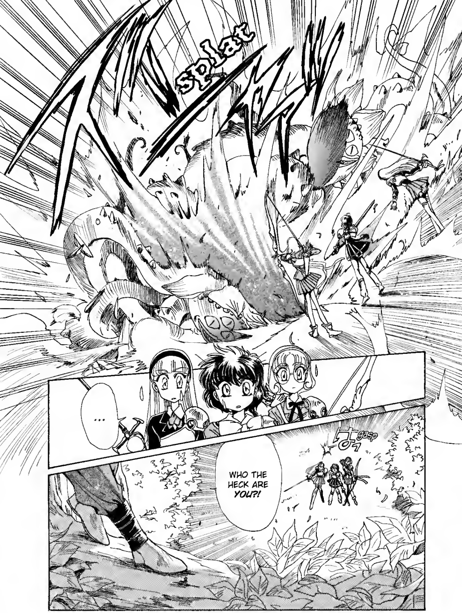

HEY...
...WILL YOU BE *MY* LITTLE SISTER?
YOU BET!
YOU TOO, FUU?
WAY TO RHYME, SILLY!
SO WE'RE ALL SISTERS, THEN?
OF COURSE! AFTER ALL, WE'RE IN THIS FIGHT TOGETHER!
WE'LL BE FRIENDS FOREVER.
IF WE POOL OUR STRENGTH, WE'LL BE UNSTOPPABLE! RIGHT, LI'L HIKARU?


HIKARU, WE THINK YOU'RE *ADORABLE* AS OUR LITTLE SISTER!
smile smile にこにこ
YEP.
DO YOU REALLY THINK I'M LITTLE?
YEAH! WE'RE JUST LIKE THE THREE MUSKETEERS, HUH?
huh? huh? わくわく
HA! ONE FOR ALL!
HIKARU, IT'S UP TO YOU TO PROTECT *YOUR* BIG SISTERS.
UMI!
AND FUU!


HIKARU LOOKS SO CUTE AND INNOCENT...
gringrin. にこにこ
OUR LITTLE SIS!
MOKONA!
boing
MOKONA!
I'M SO GLAD YOU'RE OKAY!
THAT THING AGAIN?! WHERE WAS IT HIDING?
Puu!
Puu!
きゃっきゃっ yippeeee!
sigh
IT DOESN'T EVEN FEEL GUILTY...
...WHAT A COMPLETE WASTE OF EGG-SHAPED SPACE!


chatter
きゃっきゃっ
rustle rustle
ガサガサッ
roarrrrr!!!


IT'S ANOTHER MONSTER !!
gasp!
dash
...
ピシーッ
crack!
HUH?!

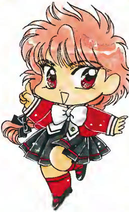

splat
...
gasp
WHO THE HECK ARE *YOU?!*

MAGIC KNIGHT
RAYEARTH

MAGIC KNIGHT RAYEARTH CHARACTER PROFILES

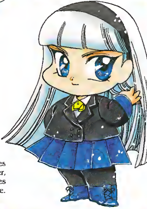
NAME: Hikaru Shidou
SCHOOL YEAR: 8th grade
BIRTHDAY: August 8 (Leo)
BLOOD TYPE: O
FAVORITE COLOR: Red
FAVORITE FOOD: Ice cream
LEAST FAVORITE FOOD: Anything spicy
FAVORITE SUBJECT: Biology
LEAST FAVORITE SUBJECT: Music
SCHOOL CLUB: Kendo
HOBBY: Playing with her dog Hikari
EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: Kendo, talking to animals
CAREER GOAL: Seeing-eye-dog trainer
FAMILY: Father, mother, three older brothers

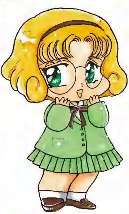
A pure, honest, and simple girl. Although she is vertically challenged, she can jump very well. She is good at using a broadsword because she learned kendo as a small child. Her magical element is fire.



NAME: Umi Ryuuzaki
SCHOOL YEAR: 8th grade
BIRTHDAY: March 3 (Pisces)
BLOOD TYPE: A
FAVORITE COLOR: Blue
FAVORITE FOOD: Spaghetti
LEAST FAVORITE FOOD: Anything sweet
FAVORITE SUBJECT: English
LEAST FAVORITE SUBJECT: Sewing
SCHOOL CLUB: Fencing
HOBBY: Baking cakes
EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: Fencing, English conversation
CAREER GOAL: Bride
FAMILY: Father, mother

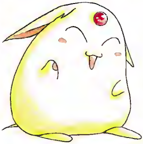
Not afraid to speak her mind, she sometimes comes across as a selfish person. However, she cares deeply about her friends. She uses a rapier well due to her fencing experience. Her magical element is water.





NAME: Fuu Hououji
SCHOOL YEAR: 8th grade
BIRTHDAY: December 12 (Sagittarius)
BLOOD TYPE: A
FAVORITE COLOR: Green
FAVORITE FOOD: Sushi
LEAST FAVORITE FOOD: Anything yucky
FAVORITE SUBJECT: Math
LEAST FAVORITE SUBJECT: Art
SCHOOL CLUB: Archery
HOBBY: Reading
EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: Computer programming
CAREER GOAL: Systems engineer
FAMILY: Father, mother, older sister

Always smiling, but actually quite a strategist. Her comments are often right to the point. Her practice in the archery club at school prepared her to use a bow and arrow well. Her magical element is wind.



NAME: Mokona
AGE: Unknown
BIRTHDAY: Unknown
BLOOD TYPE: Unknown

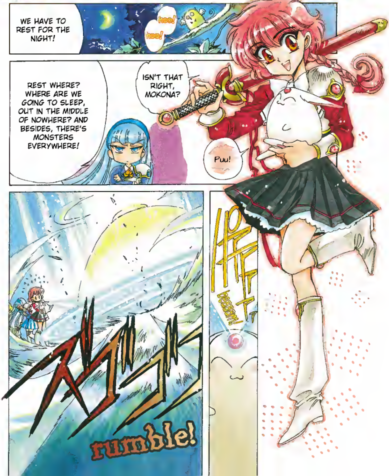
Mokona is the mysterious creature that Clef left with Presea to give to the Magic Knights. Although all it can say apparently is "Puu," it does have the power to conjure useful items from the jewel on its forehead. It's not clear that it's good for anything else. It's also not clear what it thinks about. It's possible it doesn't think about anything.

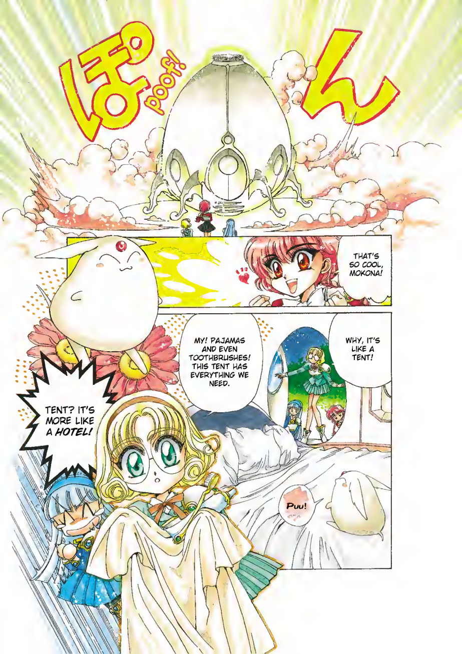
MAGIC KNIGHT RAYEARTH CHARACTER PROFILES

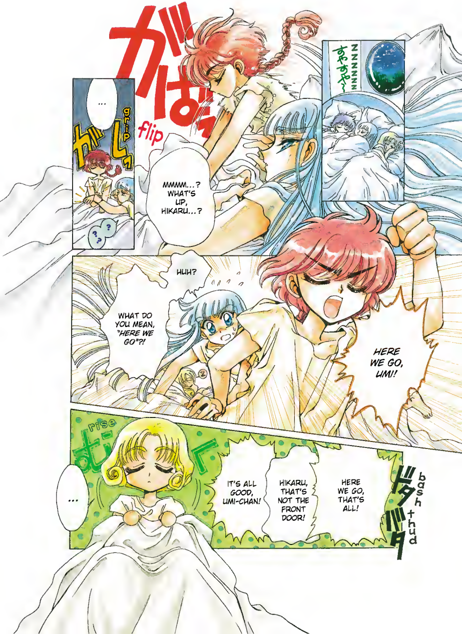
BONUS STAGE 1

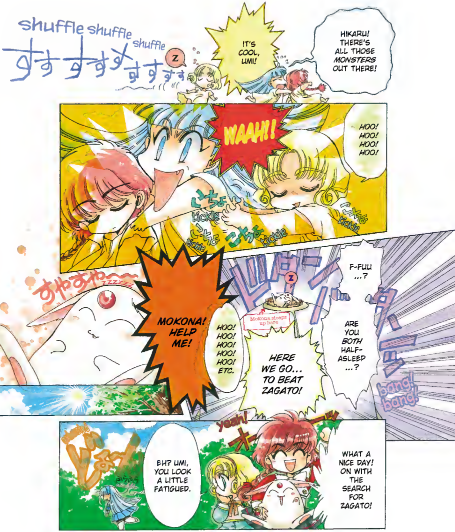
The Secrets of Mokona

Q: Where did Hikaru, Umi, and Fuu spend the night in Cefiro?


WE HAVE TO REST FOR THE NIGHT!
hoo!
hoo!
ISN'T THAT RIGHT, MOKONA?
REST WHERE? WHERE ARE WE GOING TO SLEEP, OUT IN THE MIDDLE OF NOWHERE? AND BESIDES, THERE'S MONSTERS EVERYWHERE!
Puu!
beaam!
rumble!


ぽん
poof!
THAT'S SO COOL, MOKONA!
WHY, IT'S LIKE A TENT!
MY! PAJAMAS AND EVEN TOOTHBRUSHES! THIS TENT HAS EVERYTHING WE NEED.
Puu!
TENT? IT'S MORE LIKE A *HOTEL!*


すやすや～
ZZZZZZ
がばっ
flip
がしっ
grip
...
??
MMMM...? WHAT'S UP, HIKARU...?
HERE WE GO, UMI!
HUH?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, "HERE WE GO"?!
Z
ドタバタ
bash thud
HERE WE GO, THAT'S ALL!
HIKARU, THAT'S NOT THE FRONT DOOR!
IT'S ALL GOOD, UMI-CHAN!
むー
rise
...


HIKARU! THERE'S ALL THOSE *MONSTERS* OUT THERE!
IT'S COOL, UMI!
Z
shuffle shuffle shuffle
すすすすすすすす
HOO! HOO! HOO! HOO!
WAAH!
こちょこちょ tickle
こちょこちょ tickle
こちょこちょ tickle
こちょこちょ tickle
F-FUU ...?
ARE YOU *BOTH* HALF-ASLEEP ...?
bang! bang!
Z
Mokona sleeps up here
HERE WE GO... TO BEAT ZAGATO!
HOO! HOO! HOO! HOO! HOO! ETC.
MOKONA! HELP ME!
すやすや zzzzz
WHAT A NICE DAY! ON WITH THE SEARCH FOR ZAGATO!
yeah!
EH? UMI, YOU LOOK A LITTLE FATIGUED.
ふらふら

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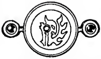

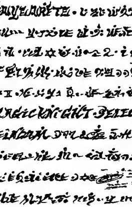

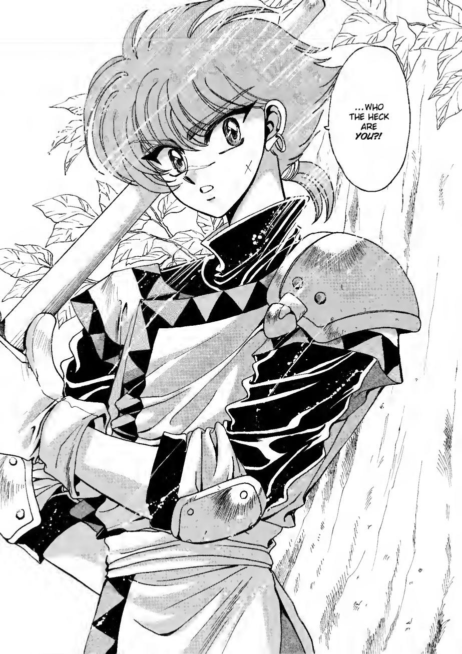
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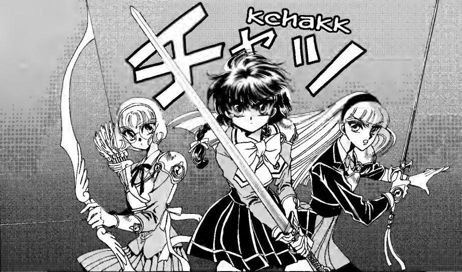
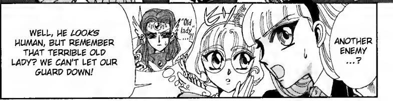
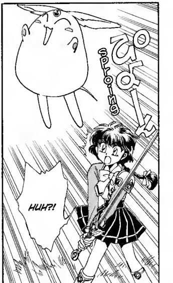
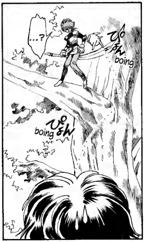
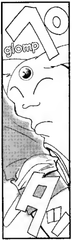
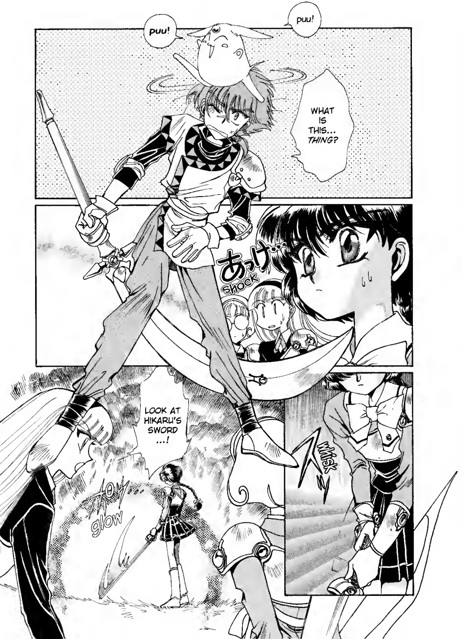

kchakk

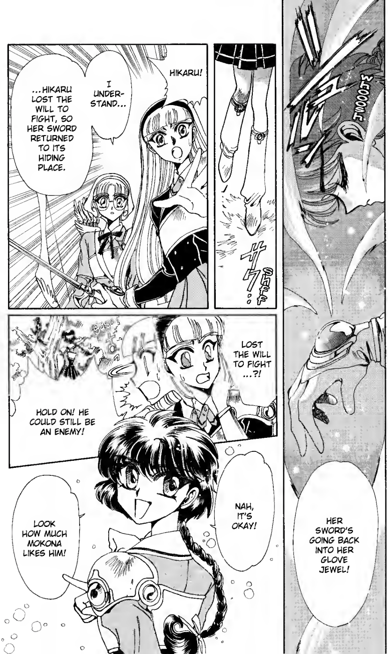

ANOTHER ENEMY ...?
whisper
WELL, HE *LOOKS* HUMAN, BUT REMEMBER THAT TERRIBLE OLD LADY? WE CAN'T LET OUR GUARD DOWN!
"Old lady" ...?!

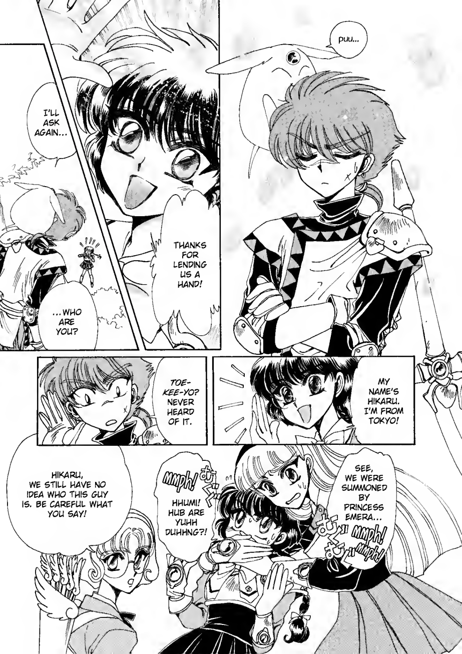

sproing
HUH?!

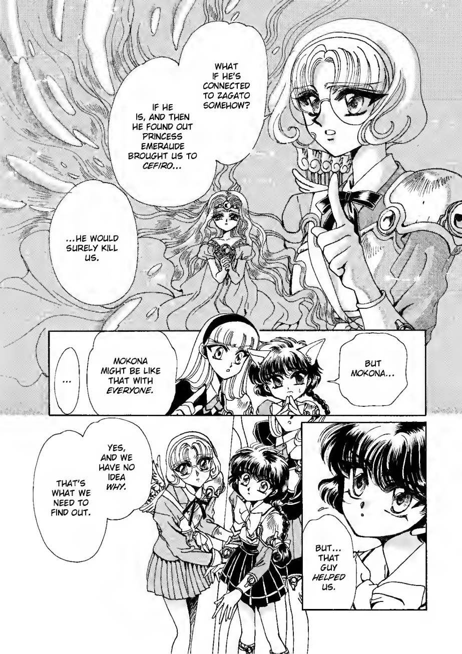

boing
...?
boing

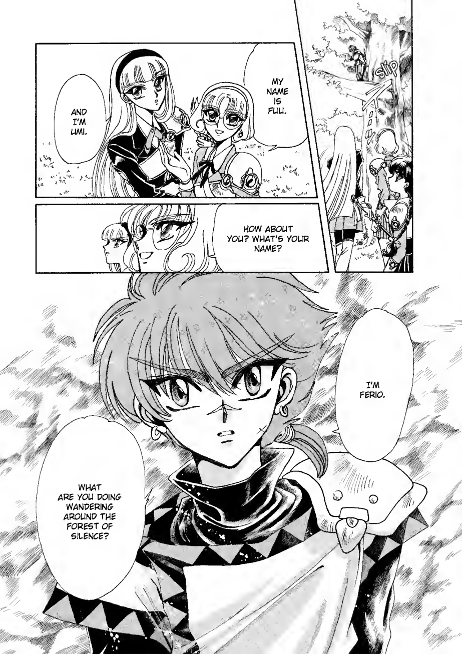

glomp

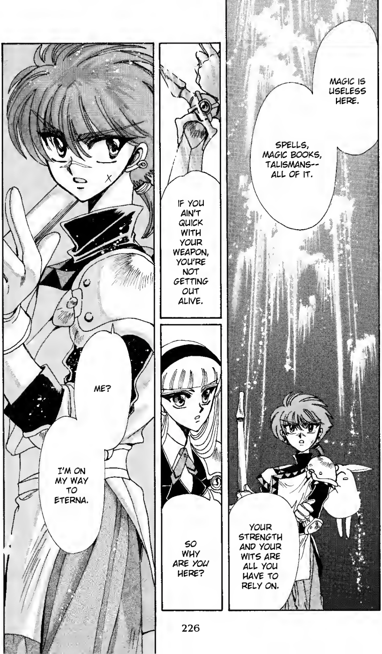

puu!
puu!
WHAT IS THIS... *THING?*
あっけ…
shock
ス
whisk
LOOK AT HIKARU'S SWORD ...!
ホワッ…
glow

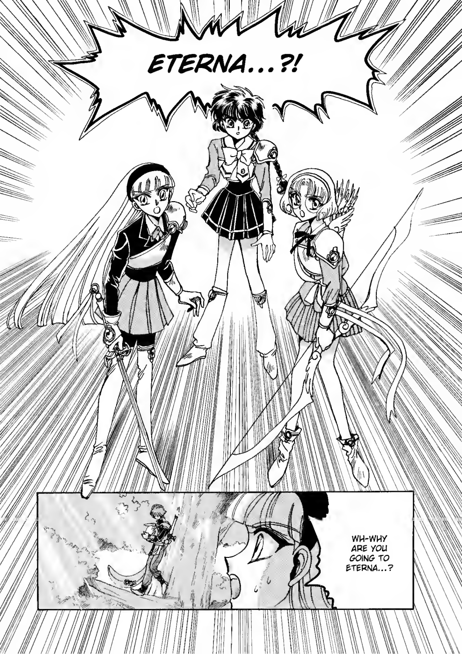

WHOOOSH
HER SWORD'S GOING BACK INTO HER GLOVE JEWEL!
サク
SHFF
HIKARU!
I UNDERSTAND...
...HIKARU LOST THE WILL TO FIGHT, SO HER SWORD RETURNED TO ITS HIDING PLACE.
LOST THE WILL TO FIGHT ...?!
HOLD ON! HE COULD STILL BE AN ENEMY!
NAH, IT'S OKAY!
LOOK HOW MUCH MOKONA LIKES HIM!

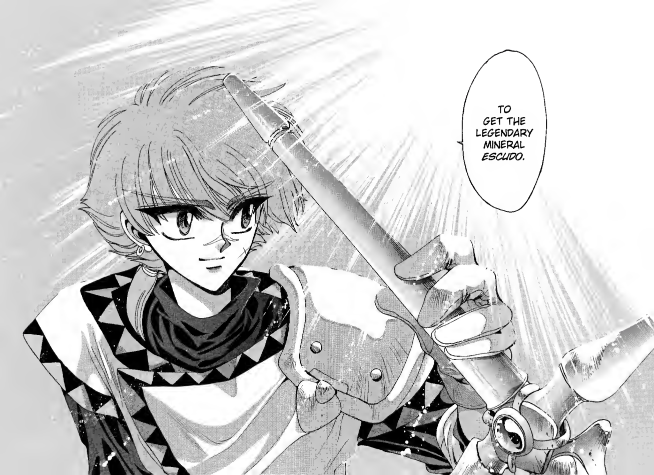

puu...
THANKS FOR LENDING US A HAND!
I'LL ASK AGAIN...
...WHO ARE YOU?
MY NAME'S HIKARU. I'M FROM TOKYO!
TOE-KEE-YO? NEVER HEARD OF IT.
SEE, WE WERE SUMMONED BY PRINCESS EMERA...
Mmph! Mmph!
むぐ
Mmph!
HHUMI! HUB ARE YUHH DUHHNG?!
HIKARU, WE STILL HAVE NO IDEA WHO THIS GUY IS. BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU SAY!

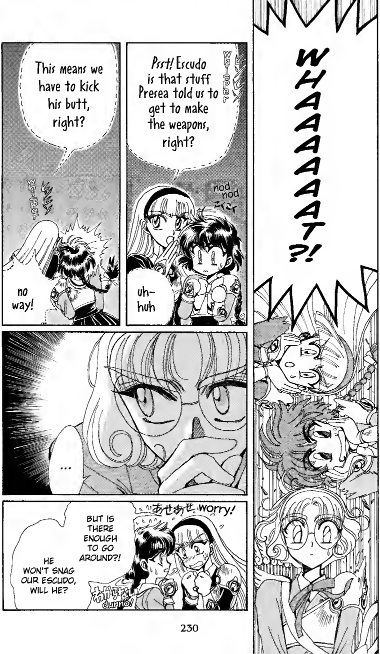

WHAT IF HE'S CONNECTED TO ZAGATO SOMEHOW?
IF HE IS, AND THEN HE FOUND OUT PRINCESS EMERAUDE BROUGHT US TO *CEFIRO*...
...HE WOULD SURELY KILL US.
BUT MOKONA...
MOKONA MIGHT BE LIKE THAT WITH *EVERYONE*.
...
BUT... THAT GUY *HELPED* US.
YES, AND WE HAVE NO IDEA *WHY*.
THAT'S WHAT WE NEED TO FIND OUT.

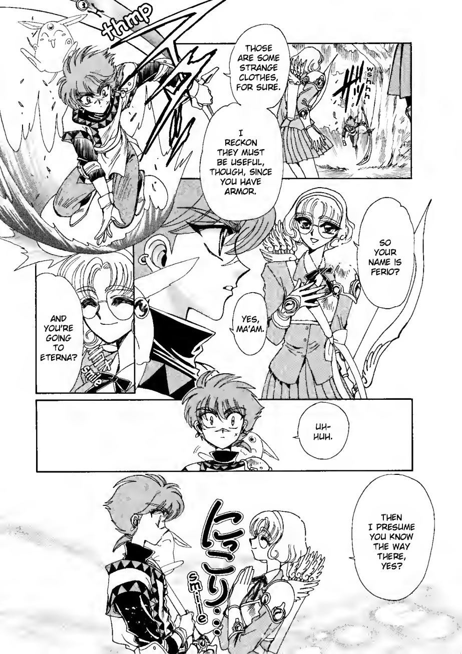

slip
MY NAME IS FUU.
AND I'M UMI.
HOW ABOUT YOU? WHAT'S YOUR NAME?
I'M FERIO.
WHAT ARE YOU DOING WANDERING AROUND THE FOREST OF SILENCE?

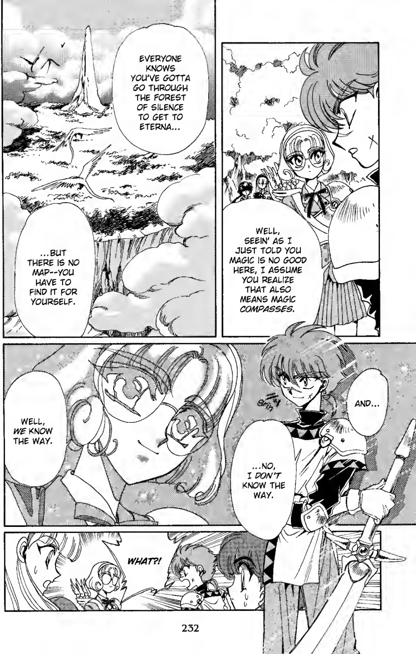

MAGIC IS USELESS HERE.
SPELLS, MAGIC BOOKS, TALISMANS-- ALL OF IT.
YOUR STRENGTH AND YOUR WITS ARE ALL YOU HAVE TO RELY ON.
IF YOU AIN'T QUICK WITH YOUR WEAPON, YOU'RE NOT GETTING OUT ALIVE.
SO WHY ARE *YOU* HERE?
ME?
I'M ON MY WAY TO ETERNA.

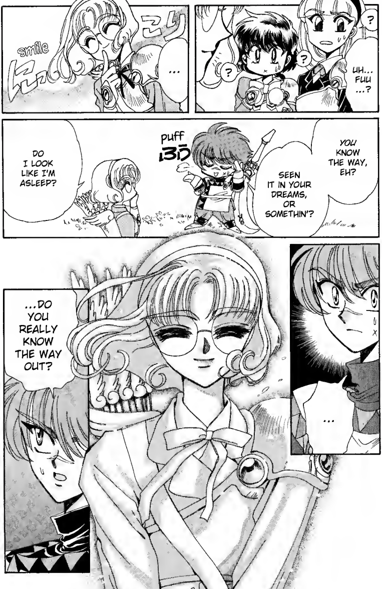

ETERNA...?!
WH-WHY ARE YOU GOING TO ETERNA...?

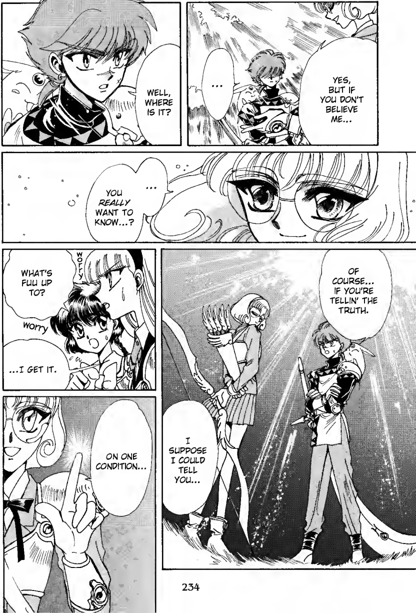

TO GET THE LEGENDARY MINERAL *ESCUDO.*

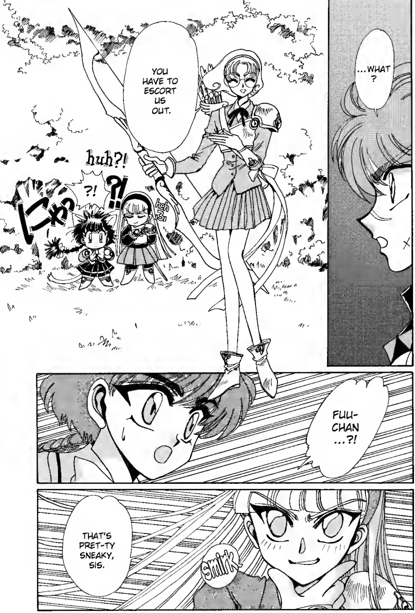

WHAAAAAAAT?!
whisper
Psst! Escudo is that stuff Presea told us to get to make the weapons, right?
nod nod
こくこく
uh-huh
whisper
This means we have to kick his butt, right?
no way!
...
あせあせ worry!
BUT IS THERE ENOUGH TO GO AROUND?!
HE WON'T SNAG OUR ESCUDO, WILL HE?
dunno!

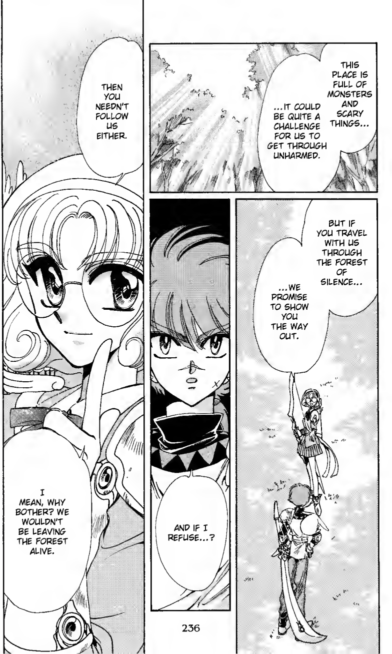

thmp
wshhh
THOSE ARE SOME STRANGE CLOTHES, FOR SURE.
I RECKON THEY MUST BE USEFUL, THOUGH, SINCE YOU HAVE ARMOR.
SO YOUR NAME IS FERIO?
YES, MA'AM.
AND YOU'RE GOING TO ETERNA?
smile
UH-HUH.
THEN I PRESUME YOU KNOW THE WAY THERE, YES?
にっこり…
smile

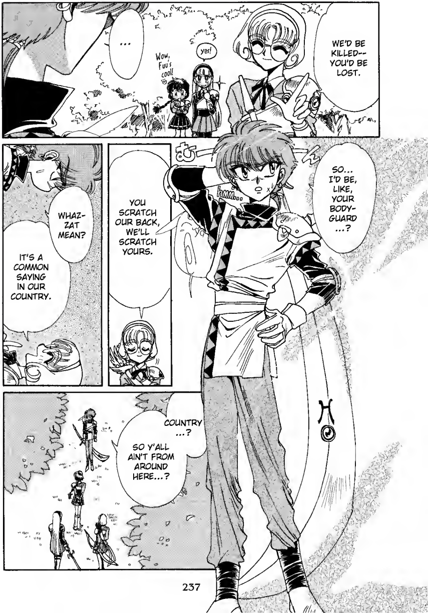

EVERYONE KNOWS YOU'VE GOTTA GO THROUGH THE FOREST OF SILENCE TO GET TO ETERNA...
...BUT THERE IS NO MAP--YOU HAVE TO FIND IT FOR YOURSELF.
WELL, SEEIN' AS I JUST TOLD YOU MAGIC IS NO GOOD HERE, I ASSUME YOU REALIZE THAT ALSO MEANS MAGIC *COMPASSES.*
WELL, *WE* KNOW THE WAY.
grin
AND...
...NO, I *DON'T* KNOW THE WAY.
WHAT?!

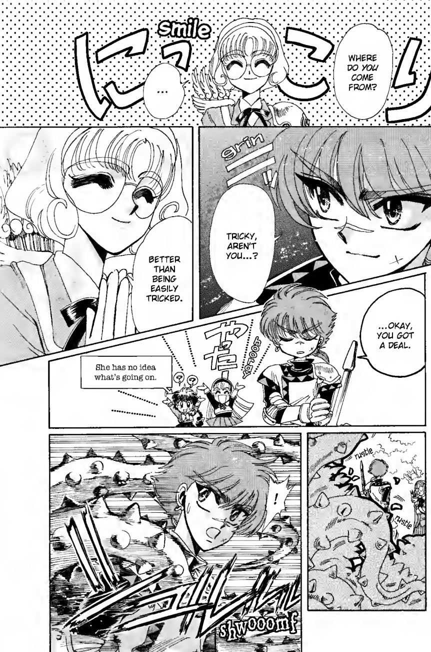

?
?
?
?
UH... FUU ...?
smile
...
YOU KNOW THE WAY, EH?
SEEN IT IN YOUR DREAMS, OR SOMETHIN'?
puff
DO I LOOK LIKE I'M ASLEEP?
...
...DO YOU REALLY KNOW THE WAY OUT?

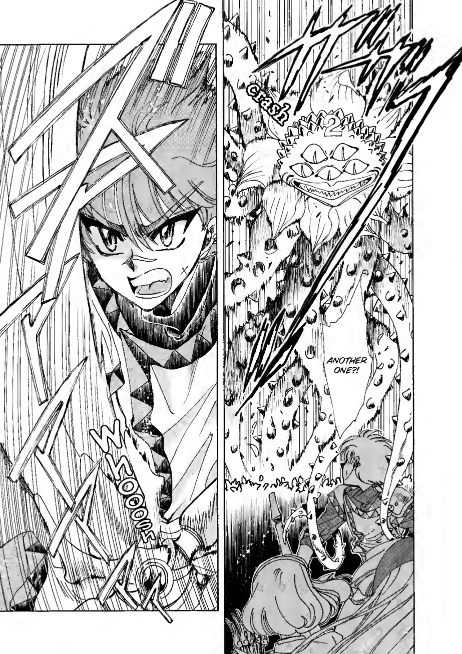

WELL, WHERE IS IT?
...
YES, BUT IF YOU DON'T BELIEVE ME...
...
YOU *REALLY* WANT TO KNOW...?
WHAT'S FUU UP TO?
worry
worry
...I GET IT.
OF COURSE... IF YOU'RE TELLIN' THE TRUTH.
I SUPPOSE I COULD TELL YOU...
ON ONE CONDITION...

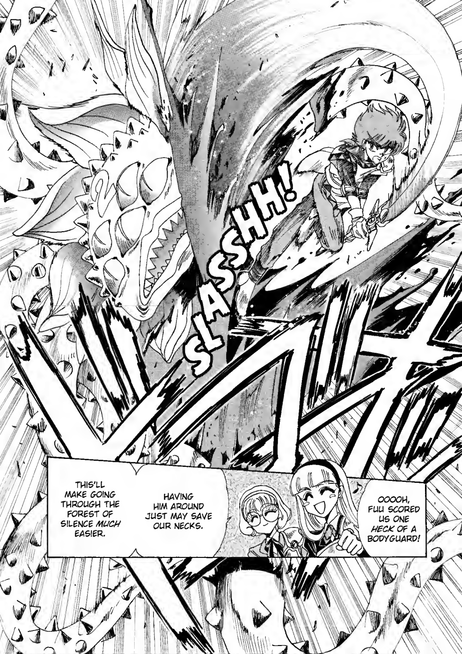

...WHAT ?
YOU HAVE TO ESCORT US OUT.
huh?!
?!
?!
にゃ
heh
FUU-CHAN ...?!
THAT'S PRET-TY SNEAKY, SIS.
smirk

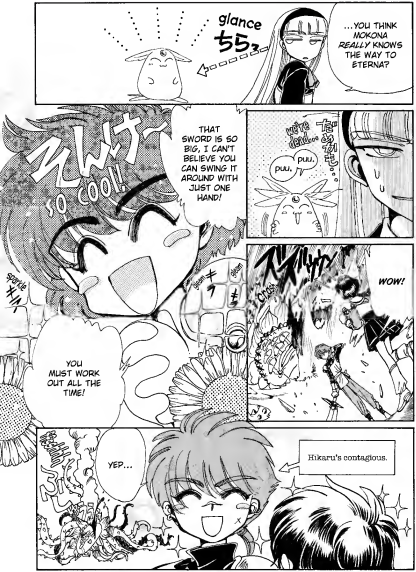

THIS PLACE IS FULL OF MONSTERS AND SCARY THINGS...
...IT COULD BE QUITE A CHALLENGE FOR US TO GET THROUGH UNHARMED.
BUT IF YOU TRAVEL WITH US THROUGH THE FOREST OF SILENCE...
...WE PROMISE TO SHOW YOU THE WAY OUT.
AND IF I REFUSE...?
THEN YOU NEEDN'T FOLLOW US EITHER.
I MEAN, WHY BOTHER? WE WOULDN'T BE LEAVING THE FOREST ALIVE.

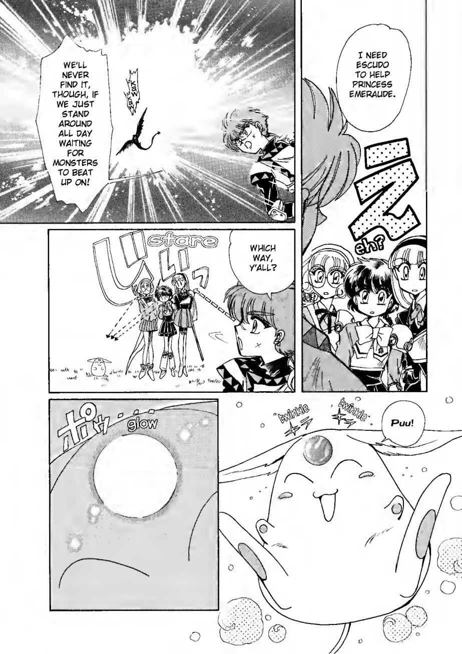

WE'D BE KILLED-- YOU'D BE LOST.
yes!
Wow, Fuu's cool!
...
SO... I'D BE, LIKE, YOUR BODY-GUARD ...?
むー
hmm...
YOU SCRATCH OUR BACK, WE'LL SCRATCH YOURS.
WHAZ-ZAT MEAN?
IT'S A COMMON SAYING IN OUR COUNTRY.
COUNTRY ...?
SO Y'ALL AIN'T FROM AROUND HERE...?

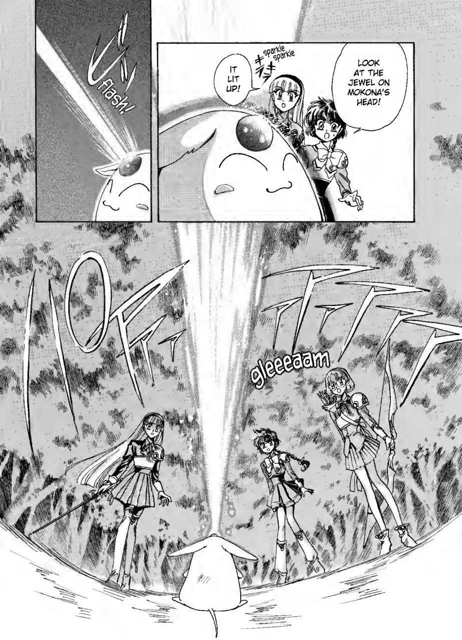

WHERE DO YOU COME FROM?
にっこり
smile
...
grin
TRICKY, AREN'T YOU...?
BETTER THAN BEING EASILY TRICKED.
...OKAY, YOU GOT A DEAL.
hooray
She has no idea what's going on.
rustle
rustle
!
shwooomf

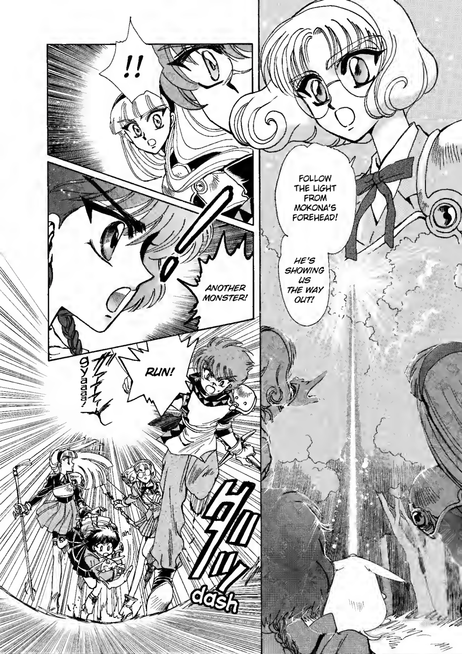

Crash
ANOTHER ONE?!
WHOOOSH

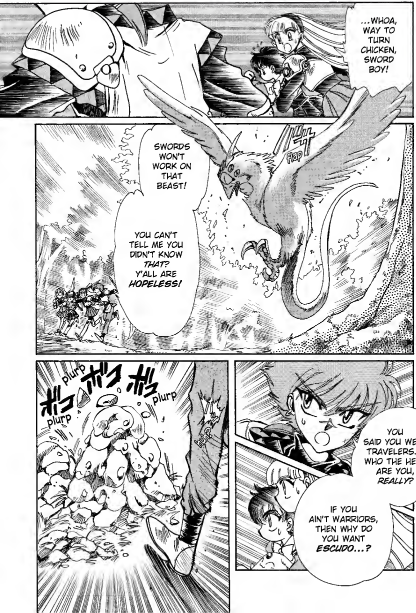

SLASSHH!
OOOOH, FUU SCORED US ONE HECK OF A BODYGUARD!
HAVING HIM AROUND JUST MAY SAVE OUR NECKS.
THIS'LL MAKE GOING THROUGH THE FOREST OF SILENCE *MUCH* EASIER.

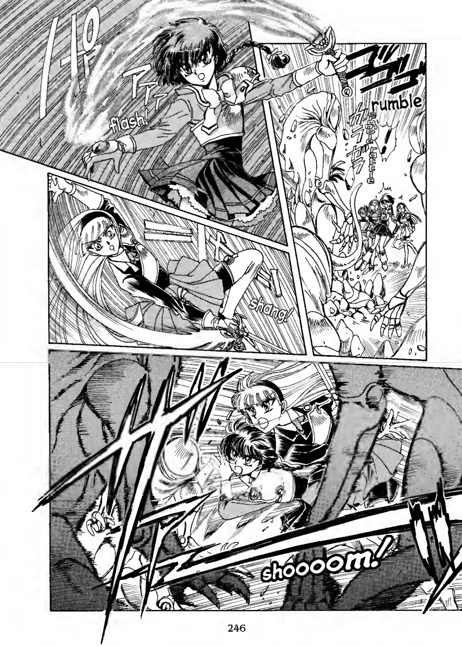

glance
ちらっ
...YOU THINK MOKONA REALLY KNOWS THE WAY TO ETERNA?
we're dead...
だめかも…
puu.
puu.
THAT SWORD IS SO BIG, I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU CAN SWING IT AROUND WITH JUST ONE HAND!
すんげー
SO COOL!!
sparkle
gleam
gleam
YOU MUST WORK OUT ALL THE TIME!
Crash
WOW!
Hikaru's contagious.
YEP...
fsshhh
ふしゅう

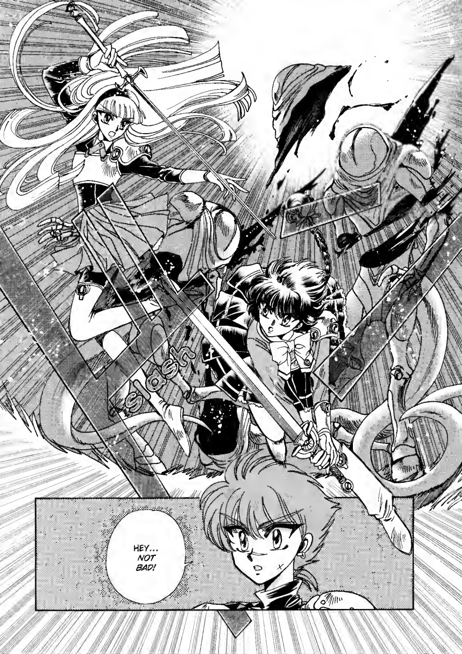

WE'LL NEVER FIND IT, THOUGH, IF WE JUST STAND AROUND ALL DAY WAITING FOR MONSTERS TO BEAT UP ON!
ksaw ksaw
I NEED ESCUDO TO HELP PRINCESS EMERAUDE.
WHICH WAY, Y'ALL?
stare
eh?
glow
twinkle
twinkle
Puu!

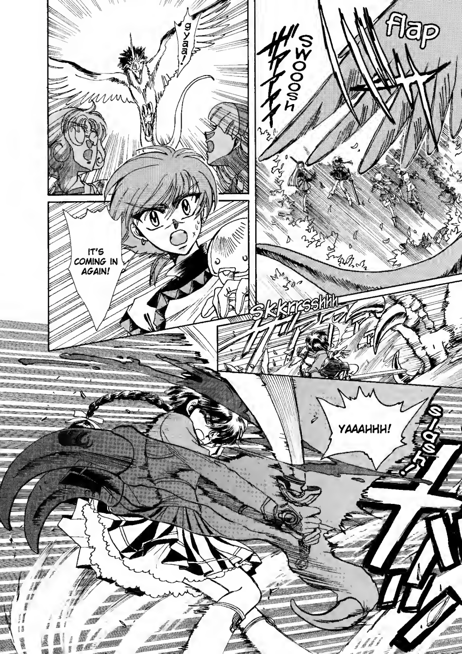

LOOK AT THE JEWEL ON MOKONA'S HEAD!
sparkle sparkle
IT LIT UP!
flash!
gleeeaam

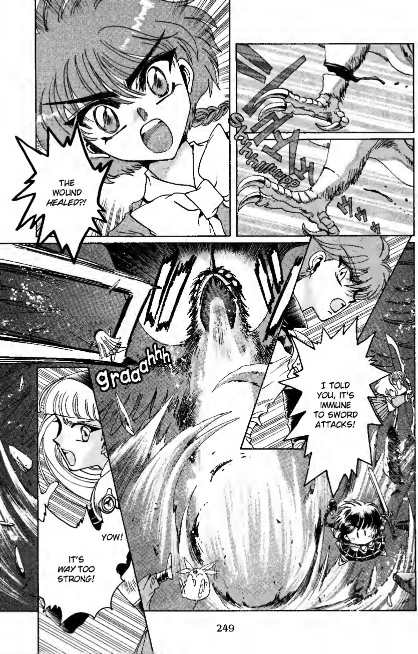

FOLLOW THE LIGHT FROM MOKONA'S FOREHEAD!
HE'S SHOWING US THE WAY OUT!
!!
ANOTHER MONSTER!
gyaaaa!
RUN!
ah!
dash

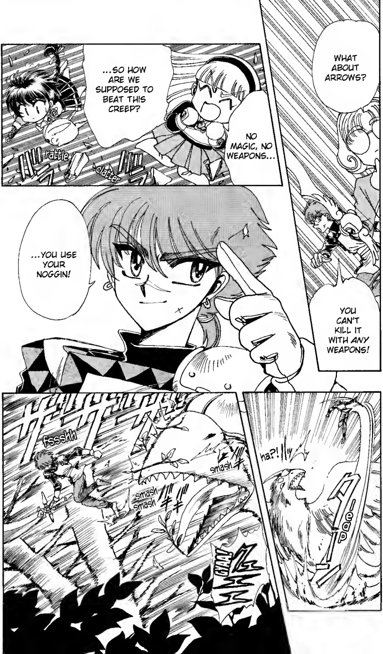

...WHOA, WAY TO TURN CHICKEN, SWORD BOY!
flap
SWORDS WON'T WORK ON THAT BEAST!
YOU CAN'T TELL ME YOU DIDN'T KNOW *THAT?* Y'ALL ARE ***HOPELESS!***
YOU SAID YOU WERE TRAVELERS... WHO THE HECK ARE YOU, *REALLY?*
IF YOU AIN'T WARRIORS, THEN WHY DO YOU WANT ***ESCUDO...?***
ボコ
ボコ
ボコ
plurp
plurp
plurp
huh?

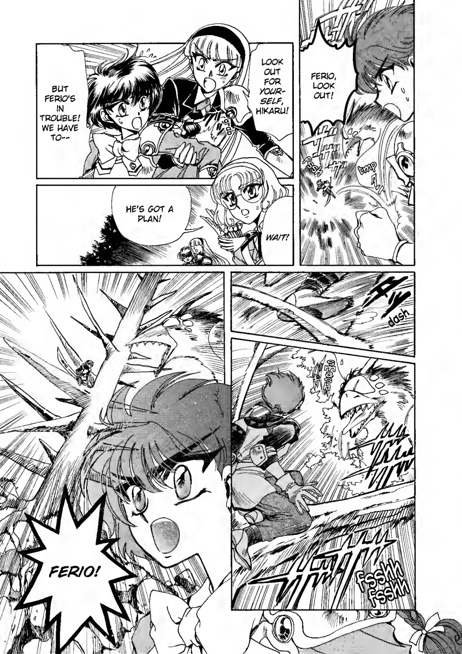

ゴゴゴ
rumble
ガラガラ
rattle rattle
パー
アァァ
flash!
ニャー
shang!
shoooom!

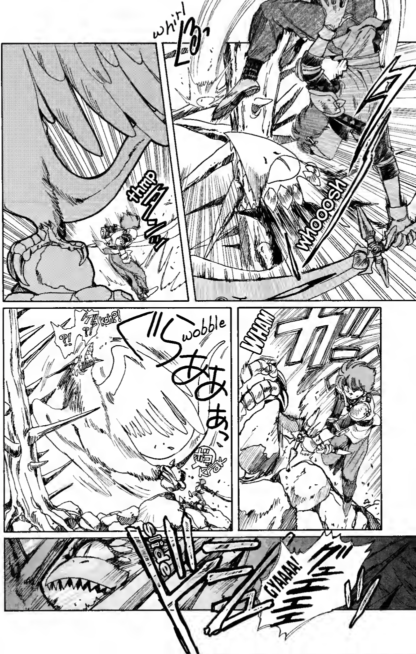

slash
HEY... NOT BAD!

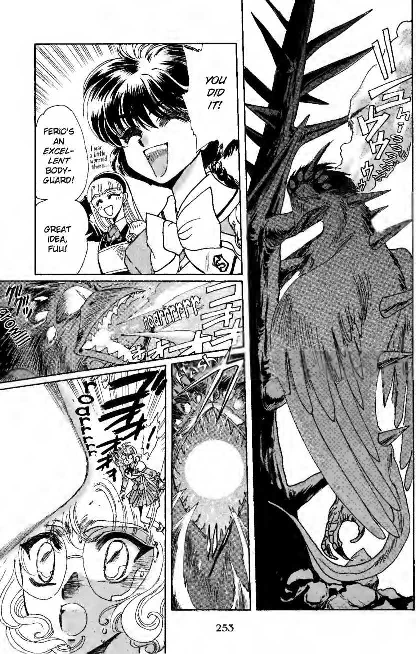

flap
swooosh
gyaa!
IT'S COMING IN AGAIN!
skkrrsshhh
YAAAHHH!
slash!

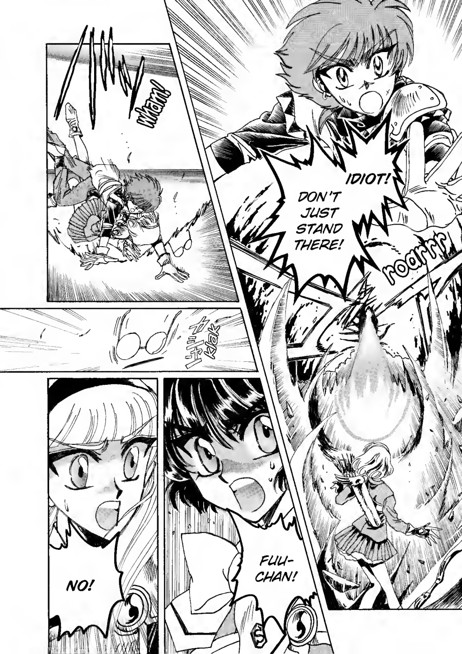

shhhhllluupp
THE WOUND *HEALED?!*
I TOLD YOU, IT'S IMMUNE TO SWORD ATTACKS!
graaahhh
YOW!
IT'S *WAY TOO* STRONG!

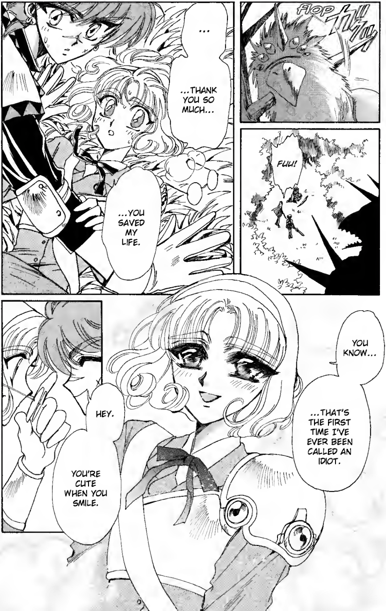

...SO HOW ARE WE SUPPOSED TO BEAT THIS CREEP?
NO MAGIC, NO WEAPONS...
rattle
clatter
WHAT ABOUT ARROWS?
YOU CAN'T KILL IT WITH ANY WEAPONS!
...YOU USE YOUR NOGGIN!
ha?!
leap
Fssshh
smash
smash smash
GIAA!

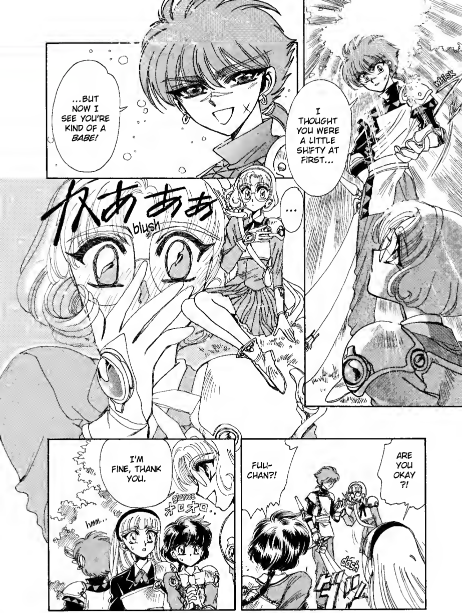

LOOK OUT FOR *YOURSELF*, HIKARU!
BUT FERIO'S IN TROUBLE! WE HAVE TO--
grab
WAIT!
HE'S GOT A PLAN!
FERIO, LOOK OUT!
fssh
tmp
dash
smash
FERIO!
fsshh fsshh

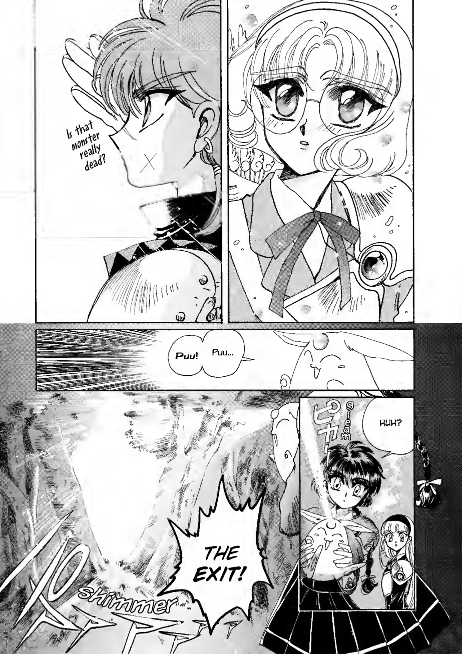

whirl
whoooosh
thump
?!
ケェ?!
keh?!
ぐらあああっ
wobble
kick
ガッ!!
WHAM
slice
グェエエエ
GYAAAA!

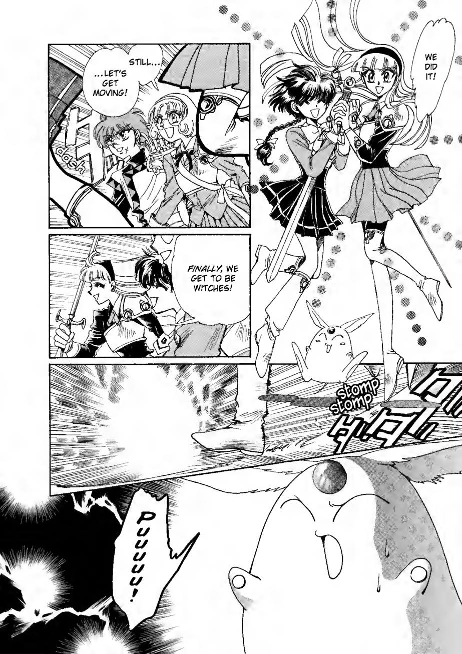

ニュウウウゥ
hieeeeeee
YOU DID IT!
FERIO'S AN EXCELLENT BODYGUARD!
I was a little worried there...
GREAT IDEA, FUU!
ゴオオオオ
roarrrrrrr
グゥゥ
growl!!
flash
ゴォォオォォ!!
roarrrrr

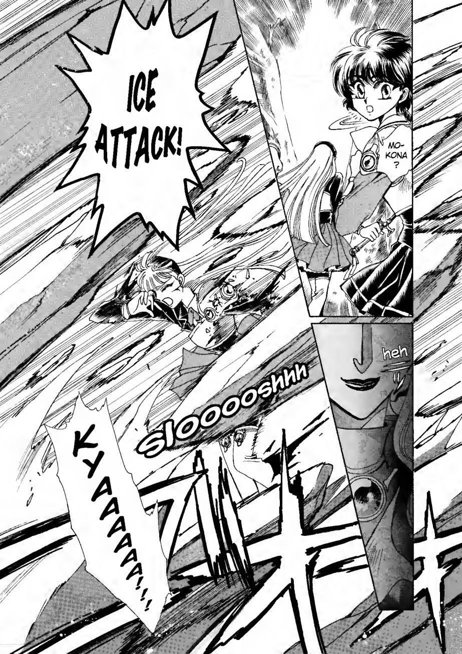

IDIOT!
DON'T JUST STAND THERE!
roarrr
wham!
カシャー
klak
FUU-CHAN!
NO!

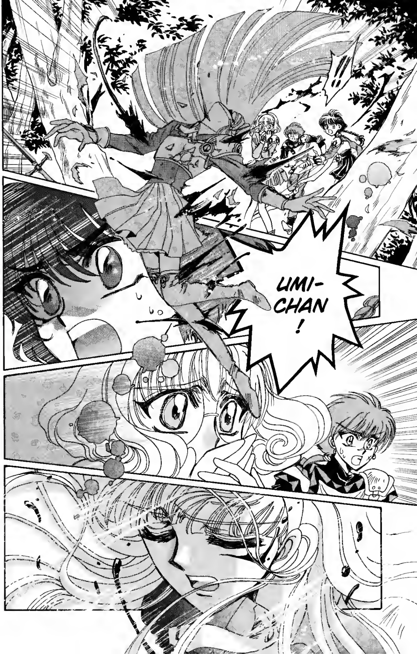

flop
FUU!
...
...THANK YOU SO MUCH...
...YOU SAVED MY LIFE.
YOU KNOW...
...THAT'S THE FIRST TIME I'VE EVER BEEN CALLED AN IDIOT.
HEY.
YOU'RE CUTE WHEN YOU SMILE.

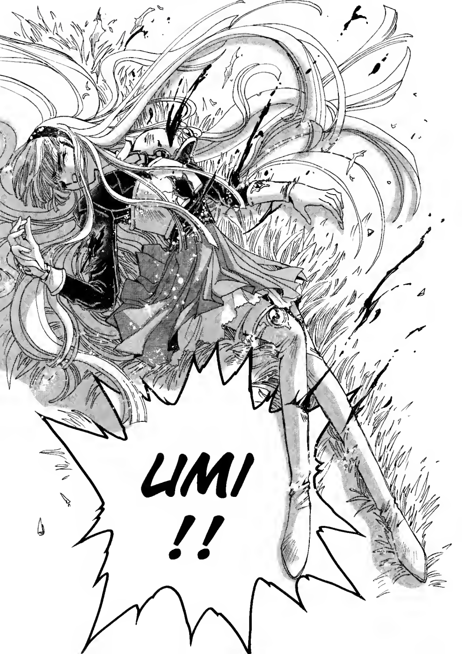

whisk
I THOUGHT YOU WERE A LITTLE SHIFTY AT FIRST...
...BUT NOW I SEE YOU'RE KIND OF A *BABE!*
...
ひゃあああ
blush
ARE YOU OKAY?!
FUU-CHAN?!
dash
ダッ
I'M FINE, THANK YOU.
glance
オロオロ
hmm...

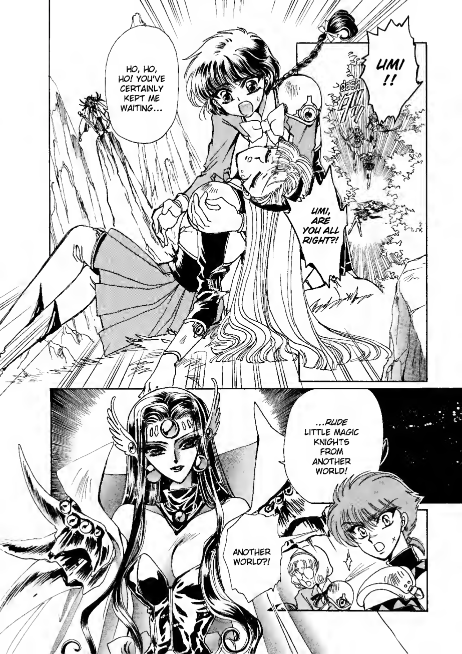

Is that monster really dead?
Puu...
Puu!
ピカ!
gleam
HUH?
THE EXIT!
shimmer

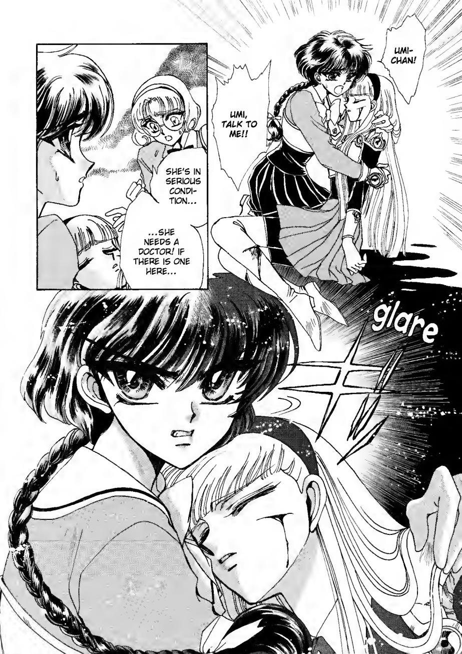

WE DID IT!
STILL...
...LET'S GET MOVING!
dash
FINALLY, WE GET TO BE WITCHES!
stomp stomp
Puuuuu!

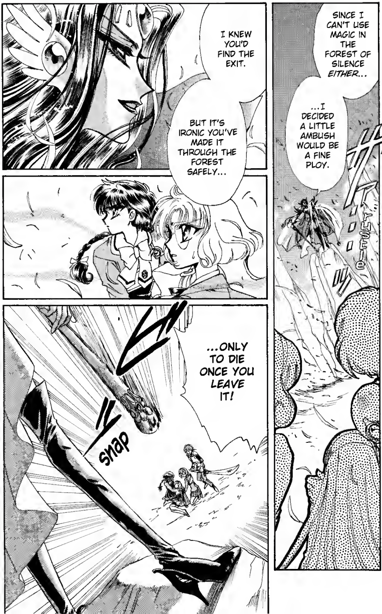

MO-KONA ?
ICE ATTACK!
heh
Sloooooshhh
KYAAAAAA!!!

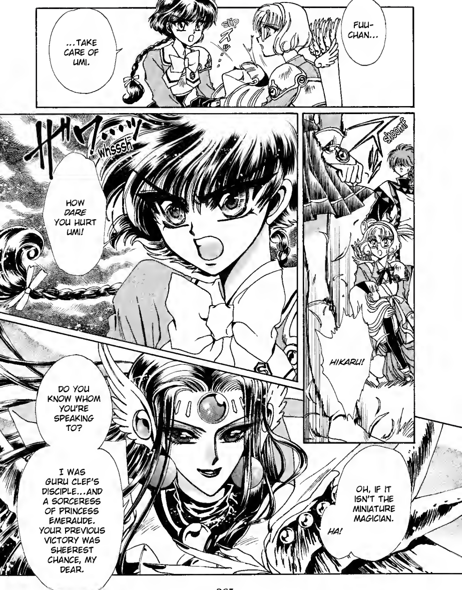

!!
UMI-CHAN!

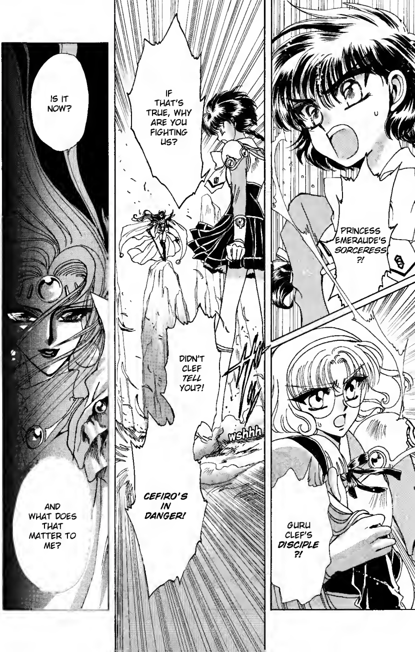

UMI !!

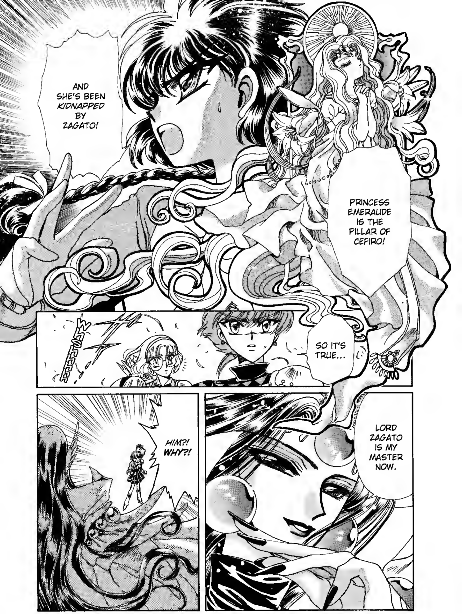

UMI !!
dash ダッ
UMI, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?!
HO, HO, HO! YOU'VE CERTAINLY KEPT ME WAITING...
...RUDE LITTLE MAGIC KNIGHTS FROM ANOTHER WORLD!
ANOTHER WORLD?!

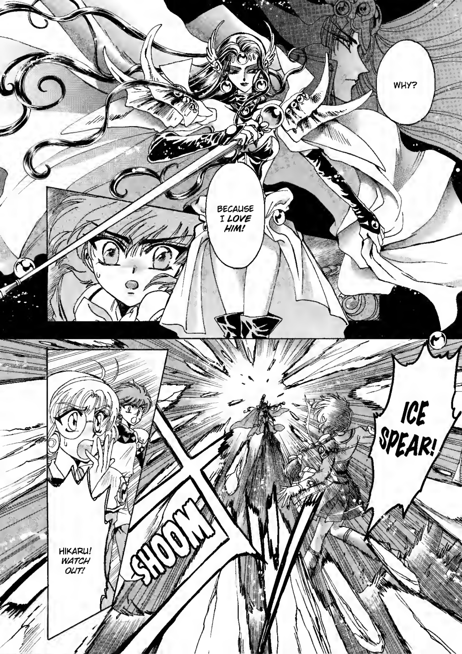

UMI-CHAN!
UMI, TALK TO ME!!
SHE'S IN SERIOUS CONDITION...
...SHE NEEDS A DOCTOR! IF THERE IS ONE HERE...
glare

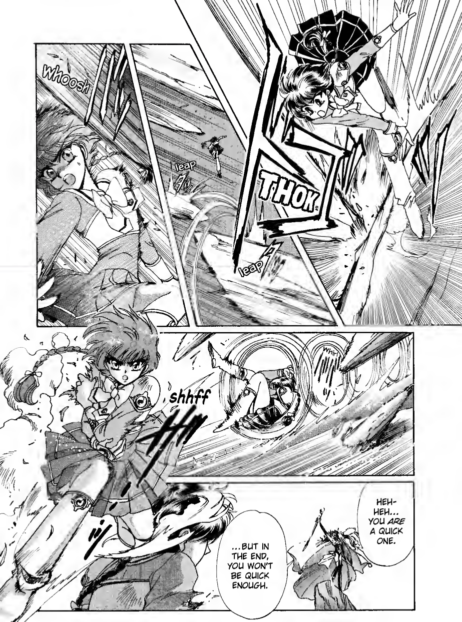

SINCE I CAN'T USE MAGIC IN THE FOREST OF SILENCE *EITHER*...
...I DECIDED A LITTLE AMBUSH WOULD BE A FINE PLOY.
rustle
I KNEW YOU'D FIND THE EXIT.
BUT IT'S IRONIC YOU'VE MADE IT THROUGH THE FOREST SAFELY...
...ONLY TO DIE ONCE YOU LEAVE IT!
snap

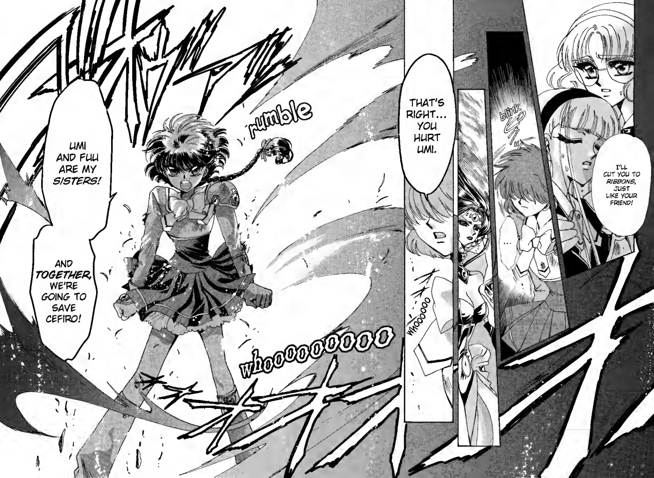

FUU-CHAN...
slip
...TAKE CARE OF UMI.
shoomf
HIKARU!
whsssh
HOW *DARE* YOU HURT UMI!
OH, IF IT ISN'T THE MINIATURE MAGICIAN.
HA!
DO YOU KNOW WHOM YOU'RE SPEAKING TO?
I WAS GURU CLEF'S DISCIPLE...AND A SORCERESS OF PRINCESS EMERAUDE. YOUR PREVIOUS VICTORY WAS SHEEREST CHANCE, MY DEAR.

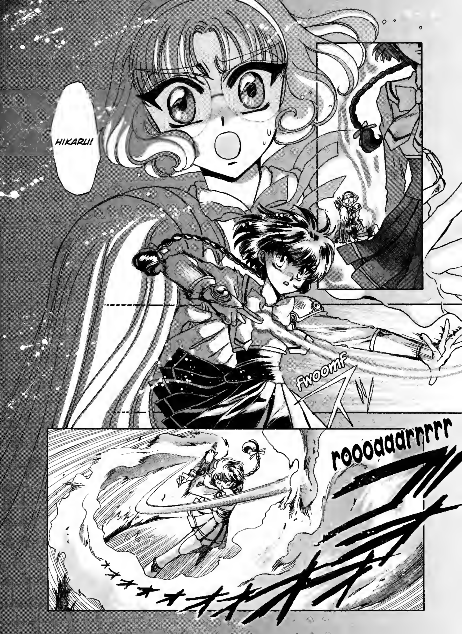

PRINCESS EMERAUDE'S SORCERESS ?!
GURU CLEF'S DISCIPLE ?!
IF THAT'S TRUE, WHY ARE YOU FIGHTING US?
DIDN'T CLEF TELL YOU?!
wshhh
CEFIRO'S IN DANGER!
IS IT NOW?
AND WHAT DOES THAT MATTER TO ME?

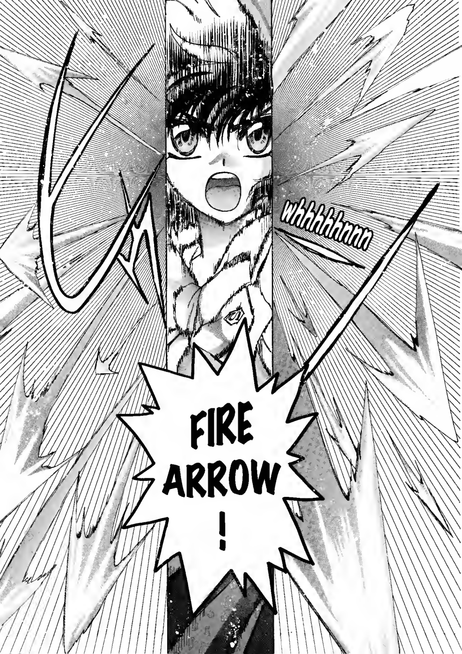

PRINCESS EMERALUDE IS THE PILLAR OF CEFIRO!
AND SHE'S BEEN *KIDNAPPED* BY ZAGATO!
SO IT'S TRUE...
LORD ZAGATO IS MY MASTER NOW.
HIM?! WHY?!

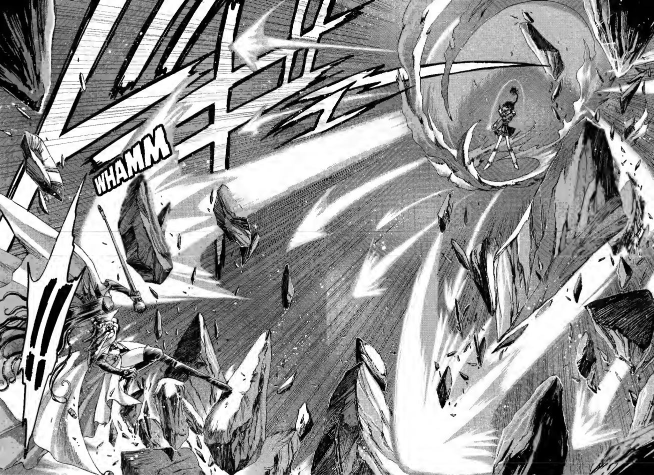

WHY?
BECAUSE I *LOVE* *HIM!*
ICE SPEAR!
SHOOM
HIKARU! *WATCH* *OUT!*

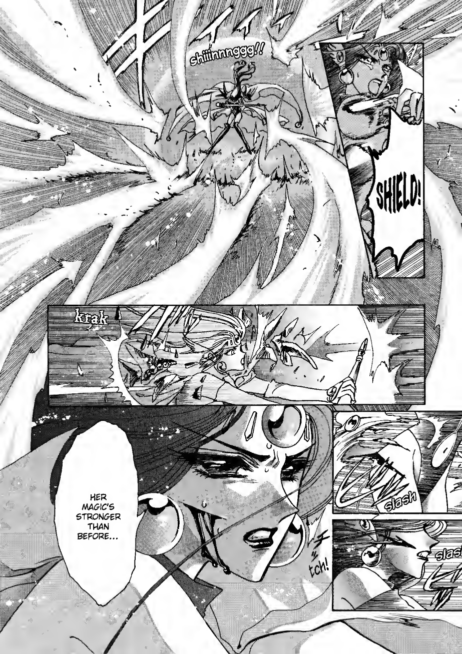

THOK
leap
leap
whoosh
whirl
shhff
HEH-HEH... YOU *ARE* A QUICK ONE.
...BUT IN THE END, YOU WON'T BE QUICK ENOUGH.

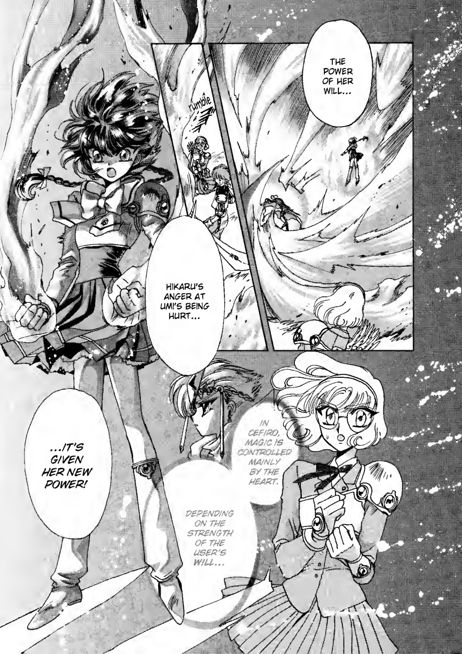

I'LL CUT YOU TO *RIBBONS*, JUST LIKE YOUR FRIEND!
...
blink
THAT'S RIGHT... YOU HURT UMI.
WHOOOOOO
rumble
UMI AND FUU ARE MY *SISTERS!*
AND *TOGETHER*, WE'RE GOING TO SAVE CEFIRO!
whooooooooooo

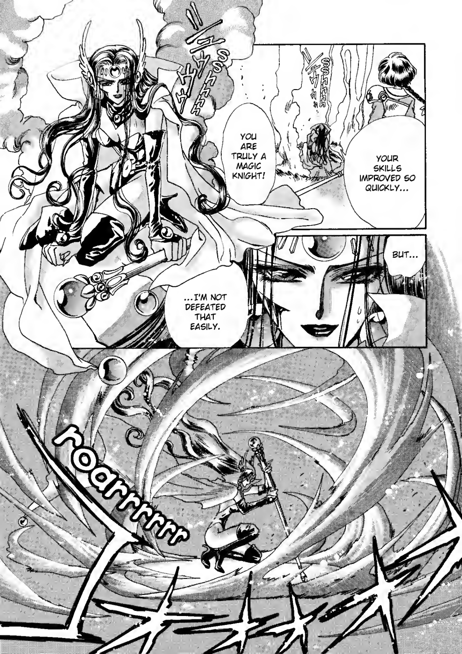

HIKARU!
fwoomf
roooaaarrrr
オオオオオオオオオ

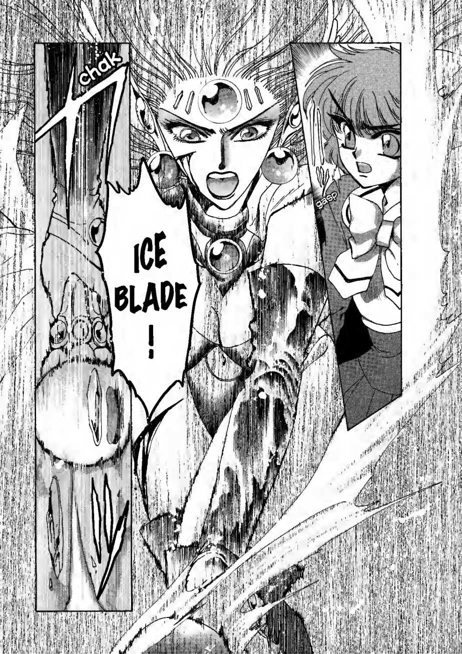

whhhhhnnn
FIRE ARROW !

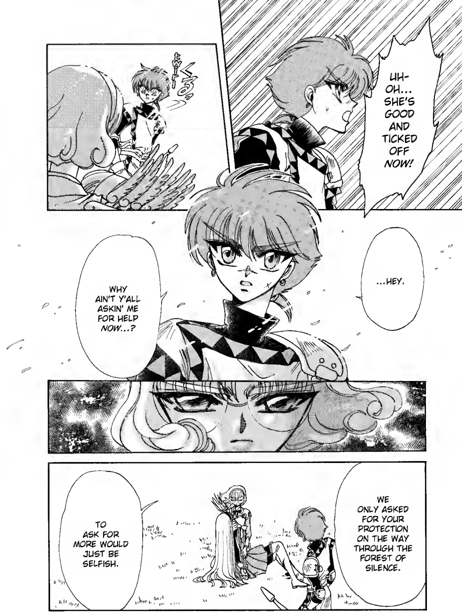

WHAMM

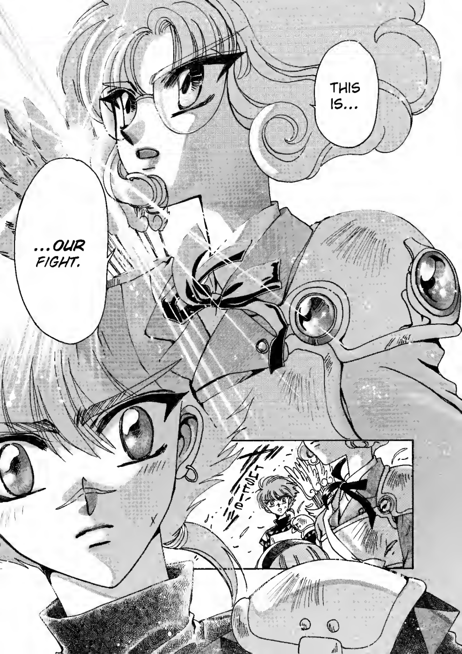

SHIELD!
shiiinnnggg!!
krak
slash
slash
HER MAGIC'S STRONGER THAN BEFORE...
tch!

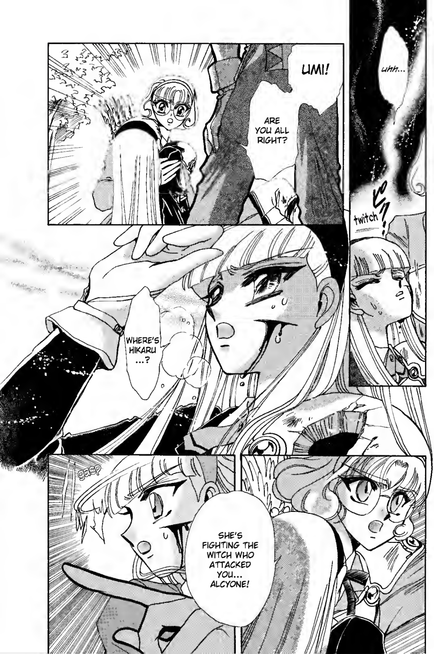

THE POWER OF HER WILL...
rumble
HIKARU'S ANGER AT UMI'S BEING HURT...
...IT'S GIVEN HER NEW POWER!
IN CEFIRO, MAGIC IS CONTROLLED MAINLY BY THE HEART.
DEPENDING ON THE STRENGTH OF THE USER'S WILL...

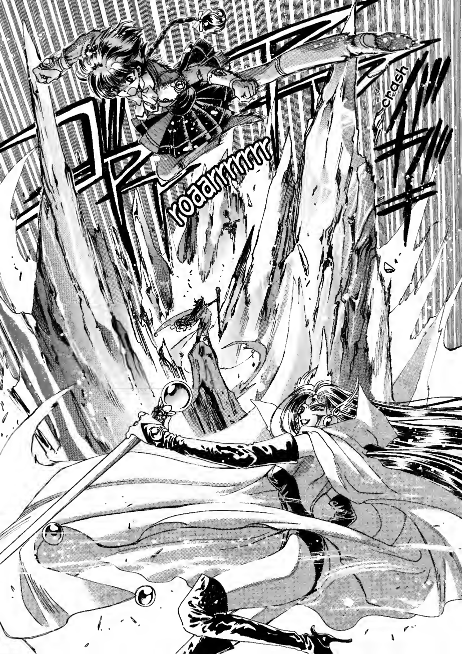

SSHHHHH
YOUR SKILLS IMPROVED SO QUICKLY...
YOU ARE TRULY A MAGIC KNIGHT!
SSHHHHH
BUT...
...I'M NOT DEFEATED THAT EASILY.
roarrrrrr

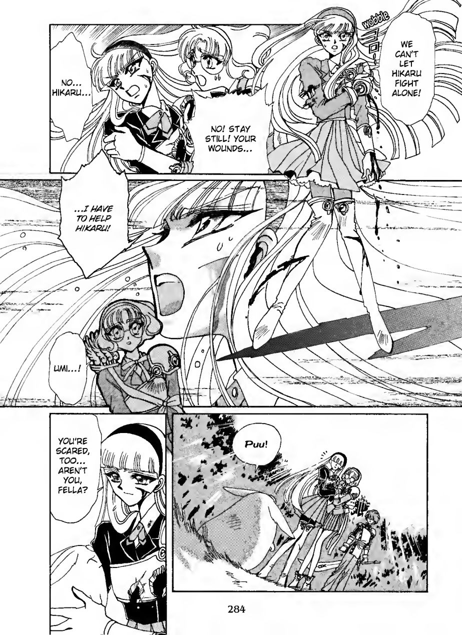

chak
gasp
ICE BLADE !

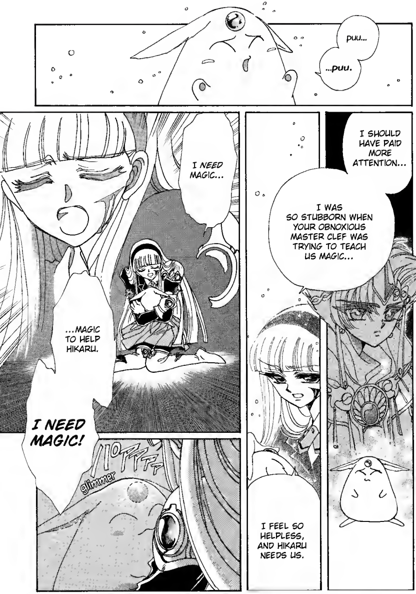

UH-OH... SHE'S GOOD AND TICKED OFF *NOW!*
くるっ
TWIRL
...HEY.
WHY AIN'T Y'ALL ASKIN' ME FOR HELP *NOW*...?
WE ONLY ASKED FOR YOUR PROTECTION ON THE WAY THROUGH THE FOREST OF SILENCE.
TO ASK FOR MORE WOULD JUST BE SELFISH.

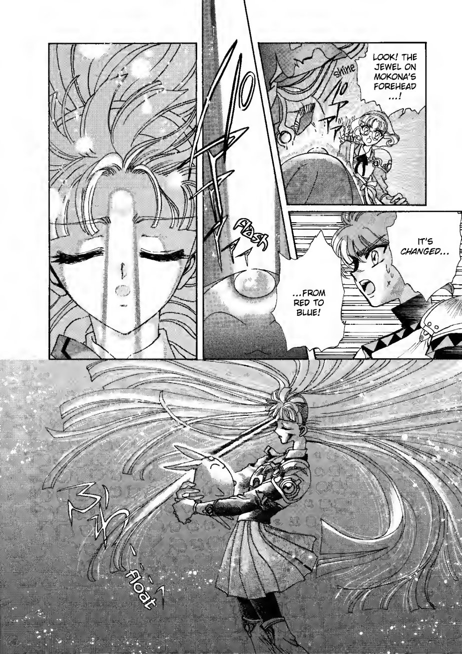

THIS IS...
...OUR FIGHT.
rustle

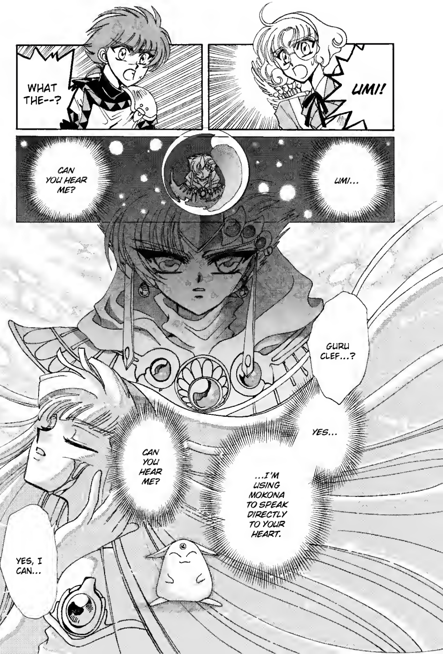

uhh...
twitch
UMI!
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
WHERE'S HIKARU ...?
gasp
SHE'S FIGHTING THE WITCH WHO ATTACKED YOU... ALCYONE!

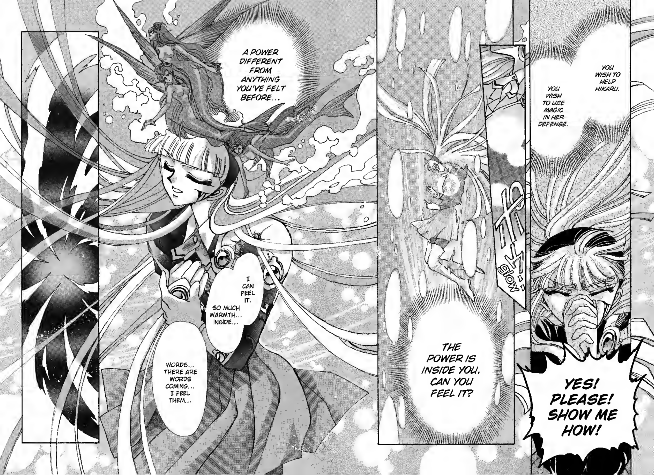

crash
roaarrrrrrr

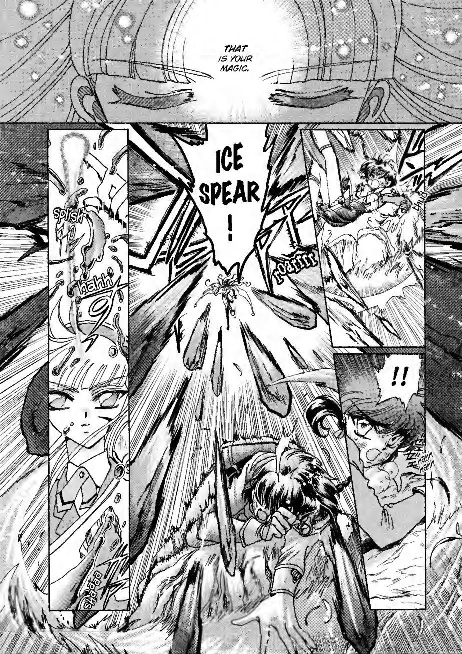

wobble
WE CAN'T LET HIKARU FIGHT ALONE!
NO! STAY STILL! YOUR WOUNDS...
NO... HIKARU...
...I HAVE TO HELP HIKARU!
UMI...!
Puu!
YOU'RE SCARED, TOO... AREN'T YOU, FELLA?

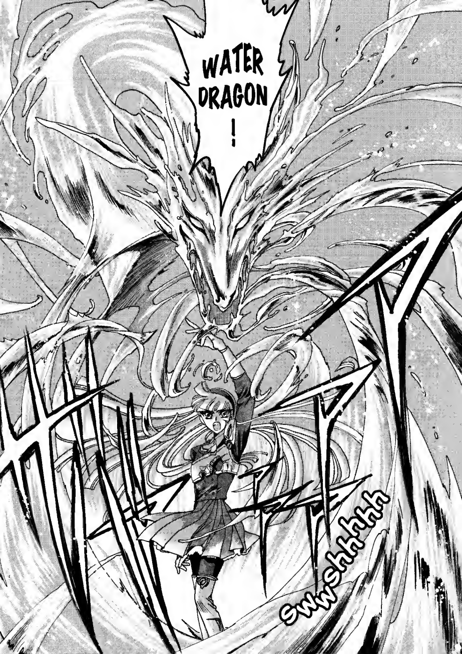

puu...
...puu.
I SHOULD HAVE PAID MORE ATTENTION...
I WAS SO STUBBORN WHEN YOUR OBNOXIOUS MASTER CLEF WAS TRYING TO TEACH US MAGIC...
I FEEL SO HELPLESS, AND HIKARU NEEDS US.
I *NEED* MAGIC...
...MAGIC TO HELP HIKARU.
I NEED MAGIC!
glimmer

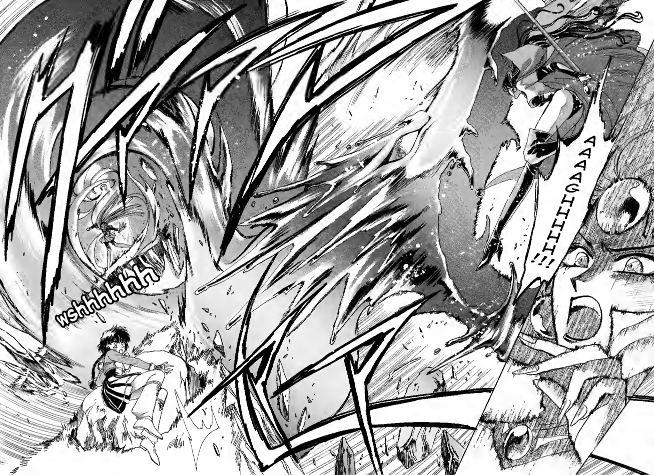

shine
LOOK! THE JEWEL ON MOKONA'S FOREHEAD ...!
flash
IT'S CHANGED...
...FROM RED TO BLUE!
float

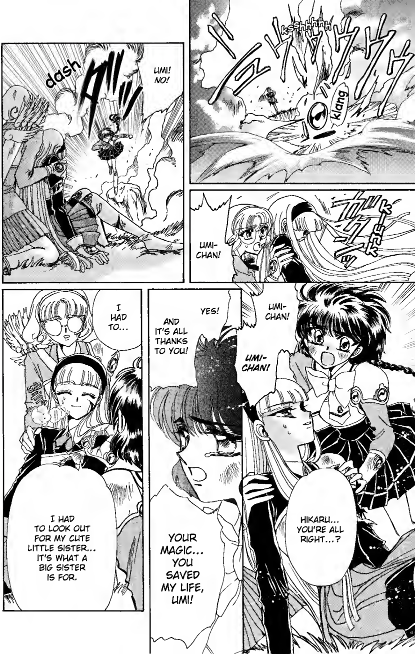

UMI!
WHAT THE--?
UMI...
CAN YOU HEAR ME?
GURU CLEF...?
YES...
CAN YOU HEAR ME?
...I'M USING MOKONA TO SPEAK DIRECTLY TO YOUR HEART.
YES, I CAN...

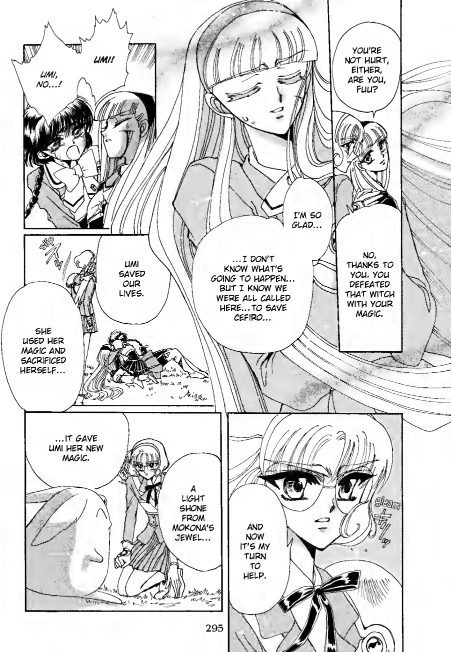

YOU WISH TO HELP HIKARU.
YOU WISH TO USE MAGIC IN HER DEFENSE.
YES! PLEASE! SHOW ME HOW!
glow
THE POWER IS INSIDE YOU. CAN YOU FEEL IT?
A POWER DIFFERENT FROM ANYTHING YOU'VE FELT BEFORE...
I CAN FEEL IT.
SO MUCH WARMTH... INSIDE...
WORDS... THERE ARE WORDS COMING... I FEEL THEM...

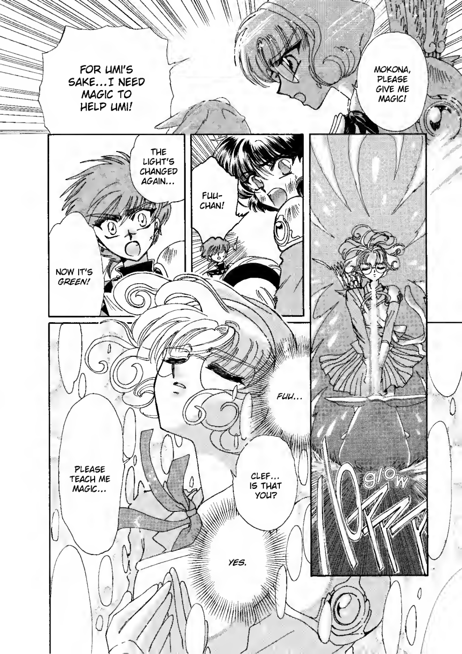

THAT IS YOUR MAGIC.
thud
ICE SPEAR!
roarrr
splish
hahh
!!
hahh hahh
shaaa

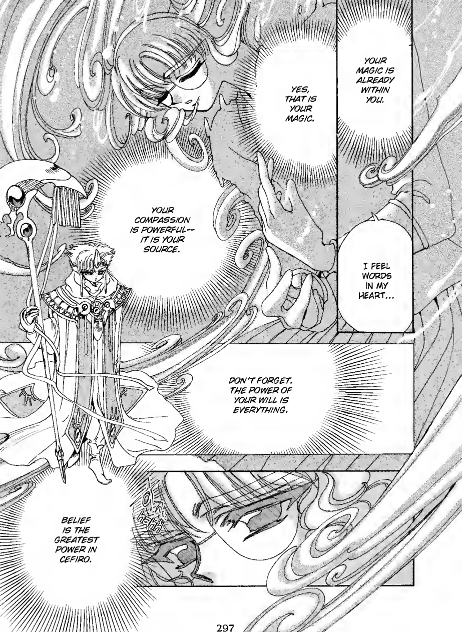

WATER DRAGON !
swshhhhh


AAAAGHHHHH!!!
wshhhhhhh


kshhhhh
klang
dash
UMI! NO!
UMI-CHAN!
UMI-CHAN!
UMI-CHAN!
HIKARU... YOU'RE ALL RIGHT...?
YES!
AND IT'S ALL THANKS TO YOU!
YOUR MAGIC... YOU SAVED MY LIFE, UMI!
I HAD TO...
smile
I HAD TO LOOK OUT FOR MY CUTE LITTLE SISTER... IT'S WHAT A BIG SISTER IS FOR.


YOU'RE NOT HURT, EITHER, ARE YOU, FUU?
NO, THANKS TO YOU. YOU DEFEATED THAT WITCH WITH YOUR MAGIC.
UMI!
UMI, NO...!
slip
UMI SAVED OUR LIVES.
SHE USED HER MAGIC AND SACRIFICED HERSELF...
A LIGHT SHONE FROM MOKONA'S JEWEL...
...IT GAVE UMI HER NEW MAGIC.
I'M SO GLAD...
...I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN... BUT I KNOW WE WERE ALL CALLED HERE...TO SAVE CEFIRO...
gleam
AND NOW IT'S MY TURN TO HELP.


MOKONA, PLEASE GIVE ME MAGIC!
FOR UMI'S SAKE...I NEED MAGIC TO HELP UMI!
glow
FUU-CHAN!
THE LIGHT'S CHANGED AGAIN...
NOW IT'S GREEN!
FUU...
CLEF... IS THAT YOU?
YES.
PLEASE TEACH ME MAGIC...


YOUR MAGIC IS ALREADY WITHIN YOU.
YES, THAT IS YOUR MAGIC.
I FEEL WORDS IN MY HEART...
YOUR COMPASSION IS POWERFUL-- IT IS YOUR SOURCE.
DON'T FORGET. THE POWER OF YOUR WILL IS EVERYTHING.
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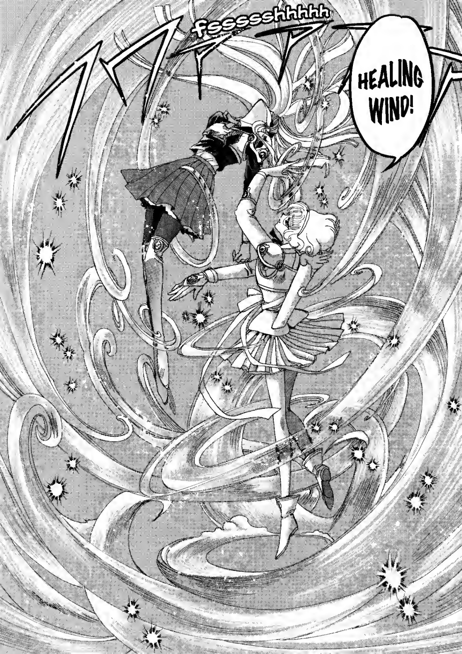
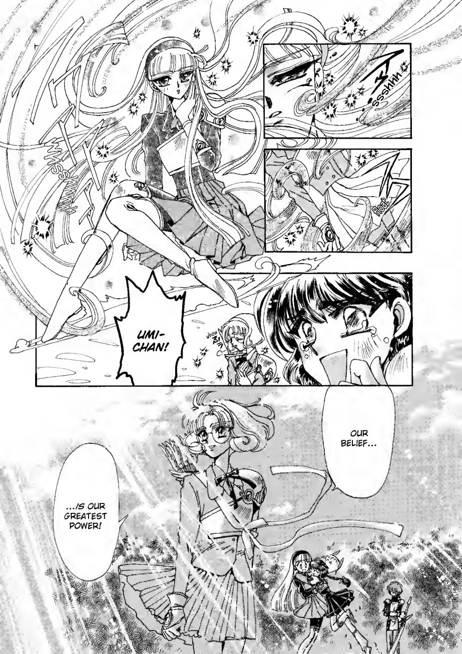
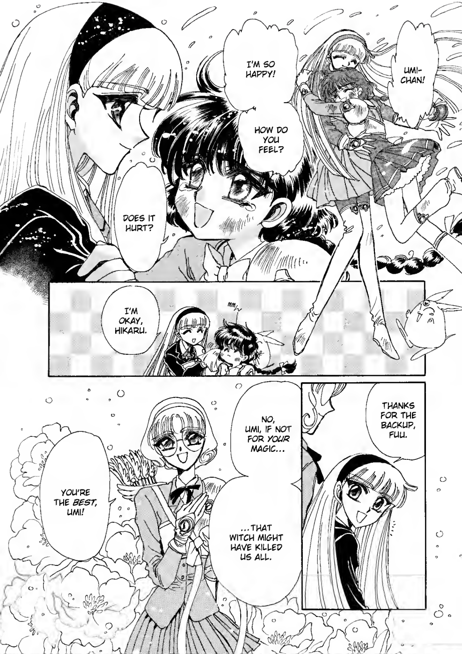
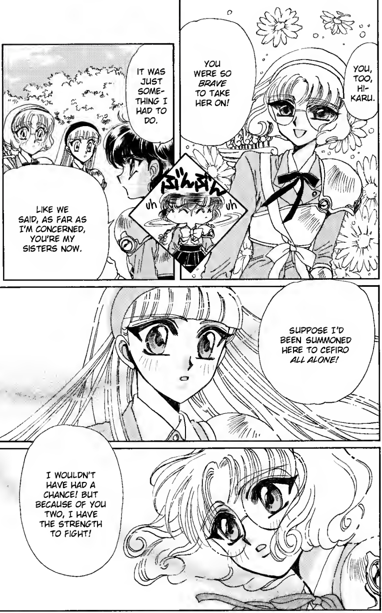
hahh
BELIEF IS THE GREATEST POWER IN CEFIRO.


fssssshhhhh
HEALING WIND!


ssshhh
float
whsshhhh
UMI-CHAN!
whew
OUR BELIEF...
...IS OUR GREATEST POWER!


UMI-CHAN!
I'M SO HAPPY!
HOW DO YOU FEEL?
DOES IT HURT?
I'M OKAY, HIKARU.
MM
THANKS FOR THE BACKUP, FUU.
NO, UMI, IF NOT FOR *YOUR* MAGIC...
...THAT WITCH MIGHT HAVE KILLED US ALL.
YOU'RE THE *BEST*, UMI!


YOU, TOO, HIKARU.
YOU WERE SO *BRAVE* TO TAKE HER ON!
IT WAS JUST SOMETHING I HAD TO DO.
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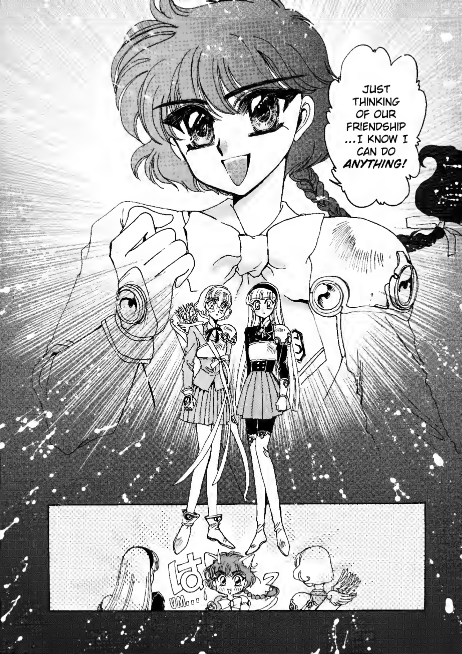
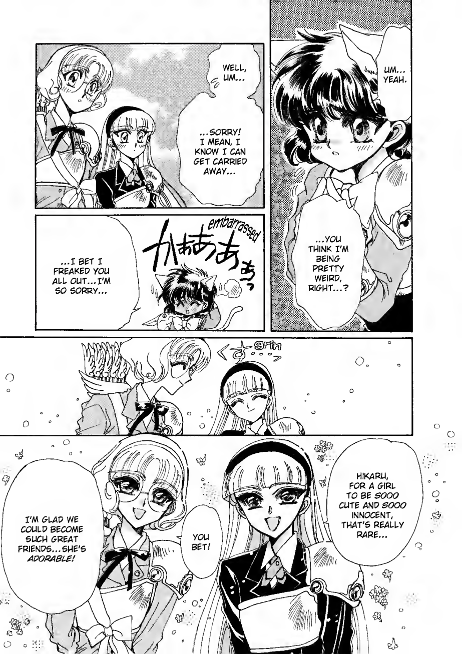
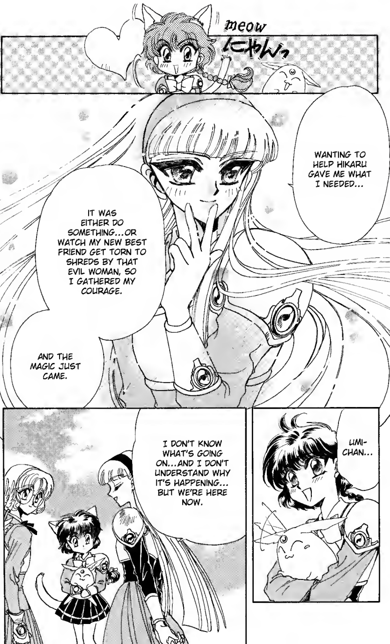
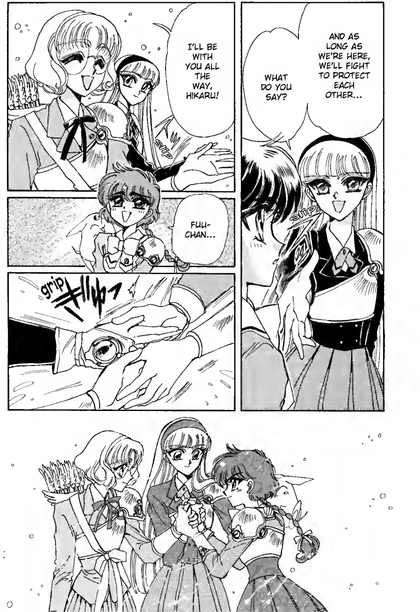
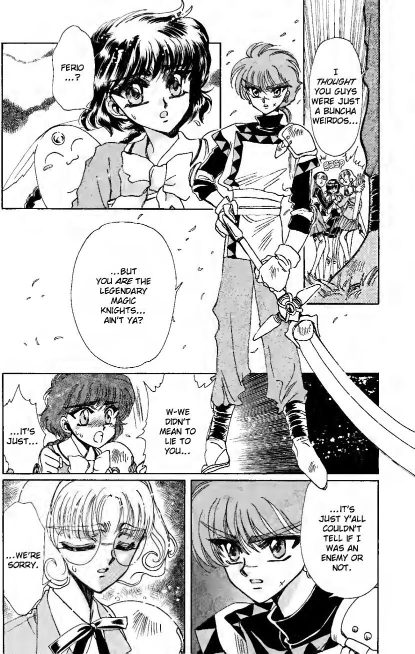
uh
uh
LIKE WE SAID, AS FAR AS I'M CONCERNED, YOU'RE MY SISTERS NOW.
SUPPOSE I'D BEEN SUMMONED HERE TO CEFIRO *ALL ALONE!*
I WOULDN'T HAVE HAD A CHANCE! BUT BECAUSE OF YOU TWO, I HAVE THE STRENGTH TO FIGHT!

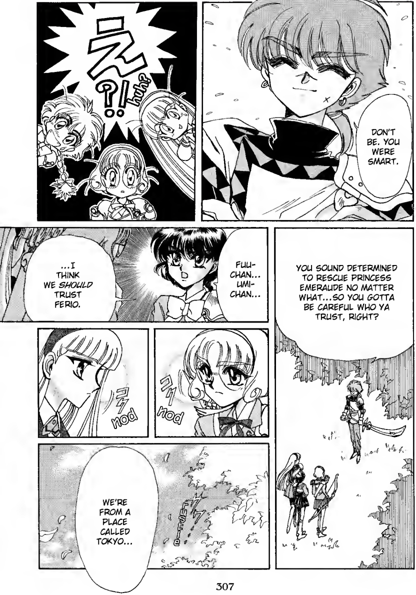

JUST THINKING OF OUR FRIENDSHIP ...I KNOW I CAN DO *ANYTHING!*
は
UM...


UM... YEAH.
...YOU THINK I'M BEING PRETTY WEIRD, RIGHT...?
WELL, UM...
...SORRY! I MEAN, I KNOW I CAN GET CARRIED AWAY...
embarrassed
かあああっ
...I BET I FREAKED YOU ALL OUT...I'M SO SORRY...
grin
HIKARU, FOR A GIRL TO BE *SOOO* CUTE AND *SOOO* INNOCENT, THAT'S REALLY RARE...
YOU BET!
I'M GLAD WE COULD BECOME SUCH GREAT FRIENDS...SHE'S *ADORABLE!*


meow
にゃんっ
WANTING TO HELP HIKARU GAVE ME WHAT I NEEDED...
IT WAS EITHER DO SOMETHING...OR WATCH MY NEW BEST FRIEND GET TORN TO SHREDS BY THAT EVIL WOMAN, SO I GATHERED MY COURAGE.
AND THE MAGIC JUST CAME.
UMI-CHAN...
I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON...AND I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY IT'S HAPPENING... BUT WE'RE HERE NOW.


AND AS LONG AS WE'RE HERE, WE'LL FIGHT TO PROTECT EACH OTHER...
WHAT DO YOU SAY?
STP
I'LL BE WITH YOU ALL THE WAY, HIKARU!
STP
FUU-CHAN...
grip


I *THOUGHT* YOU GUYS WERE JUST A BUNCHA WEIRDOS...
gasp
FERIO ...?
...BUT YOU *ARE* THE LEGENDARY MAGIC KNIGHTS... AIN'T YA?
W-WE DIDN'T MEAN TO LIE TO YOU...
...IT'S JUST...
...IT'S JUST Y'ALL COULDN'T TELL IF I WAS AN ENEMY OR NOT.
...WE'RE SORRY.


DON'T BE. YOU WERE SMART.
え
?!!
huh?
YOU SOUND DETERMINED TO RESCUE PRINCESS EMERAUDE NO MATTER WHAT...SO YOU GOTTA BE CAREFUL WHO YA TRUST, RIGHT?
FUU-CHAN... UMI-CHAN...
...I THINK WE *SHOULD* TRUST FERIO.
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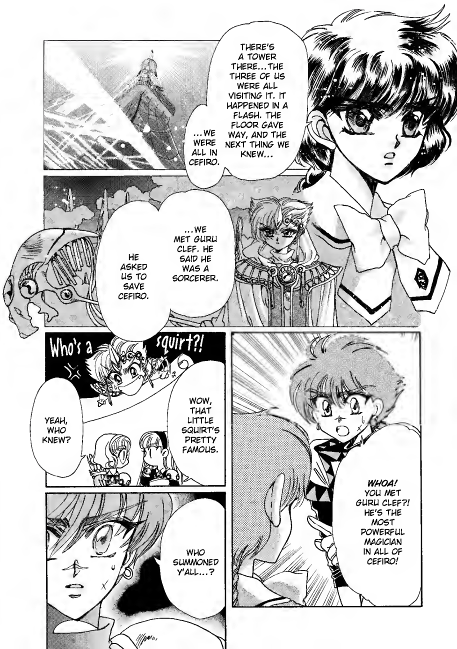
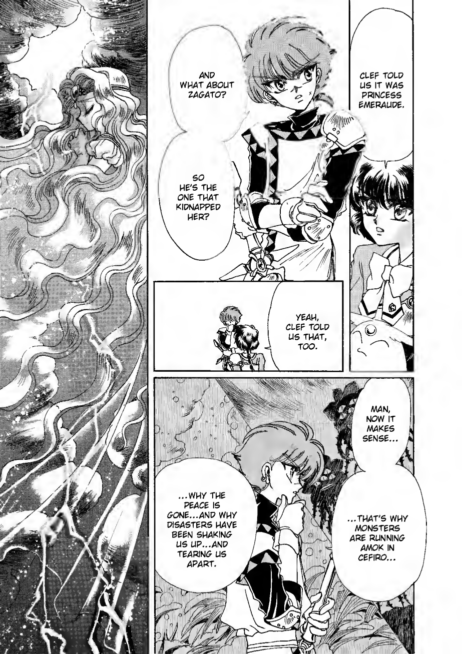
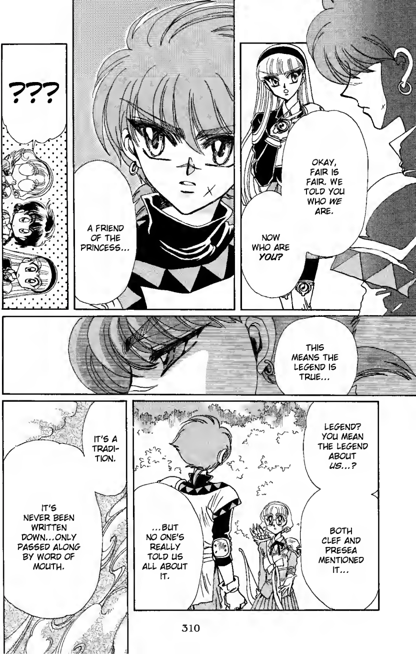
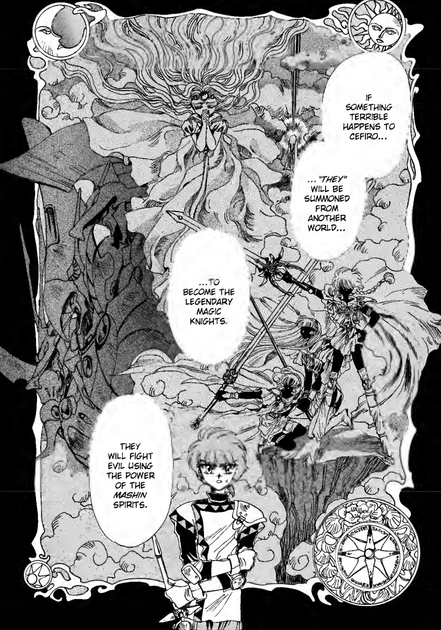
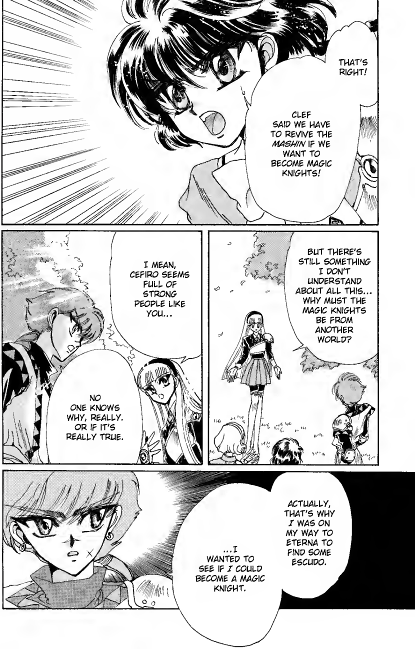
nod
コク
nod
ザワ
rustle
WE'RE FROM A PLACE CALLED TOKYO...

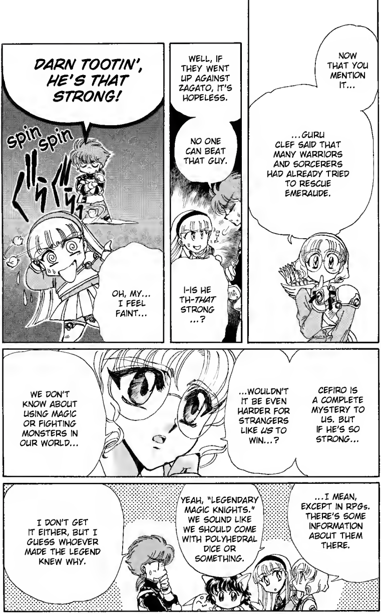

THERE'S A TOWER THERE...THE THREE OF US WERE ALL VISITING IT. IT HAPPENED IN A FLASH. THE FLOOR GAVE WAY, AND THE NEXT THING WE KNEW...
...WE WERE ALL IN CEFIRO.
...WE MET GURU CLEF. HE SAID HE WAS A SORCERER.
HE ASKED US TO SAVE CEFIRO.
WHOA! YOU MET GURU CLEF?! HE'S THE MOST POWERFUL MAGICIAN IN ALL OF CEFIRO!
WOW, THAT LITTLE SQUIRT'S PRETTY FAMOUS.
YEAH, WHO KNEW?
Who's a squirt?!
WHO SUMMONED Y'ALL...?

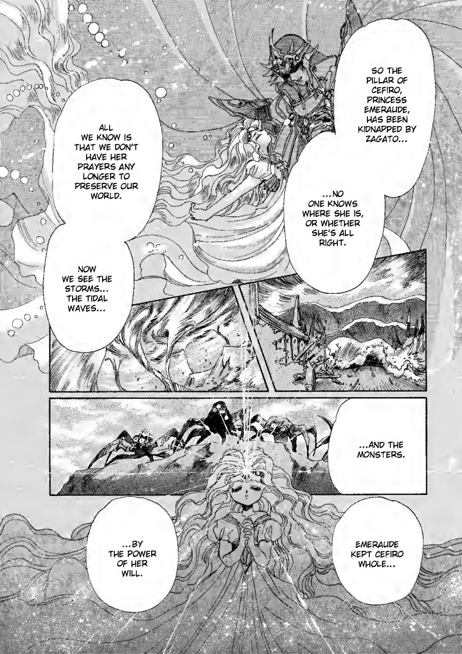

CLEF TOLD US IT WAS PRINCESS EMERAUDE.
AND WHAT ABOUT ZAGATO?
SO HE'S THE ONE THAT KIDNAPPED HER?
YEAH, CLEF TOLD US THAT, TOO.
MAN, NOW IT MAKES SENSE...
...THAT'S WHY MONSTERS ARE RUNNING AMOK IN CEFIRO...
...WHY THE PEACE IS GONE...AND WHY DISASTERS HAVE BEEN SHAKING US UP...AND TEARING US APART.

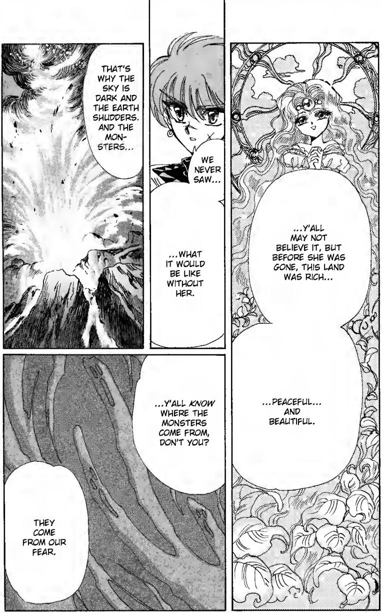

OKAY, FAIR IS FAIR. WE TOLD YOU WHO *WE* ARE.
NOW WHO ARE *YOU?*
A FRIEND OF THE PRINCESS...
???
THIS MEANS THE LEGEND IS TRUE...
LEGEND? YOU MEAN THE LEGEND ABOUT *US*...?
BOTH CLEF AND PRESEA MENTIONED IT...
...BUT NO ONE'S REALLY TOLD US ALL ABOUT IT.
IT'S A TRADITION.
IT'S NEVER BEEN WRITTEN DOWN...ONLY PASSED ALONG BY WORD OF MOUTH.

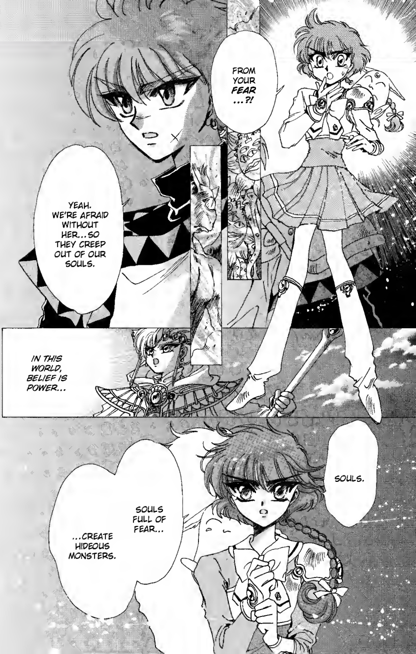

IF SOMETHING TERRIBLE HAPPENS TO CEFIRO...
..."THEY" WILL BE SUMMONED FROM ANOTHER WORLD...
...TO BECOME THE LEGENDARY MAGIC KNIGHTS.
THEY WILL FIGHT EVIL USING THE POWER OF THE *MASHIN* SPIRITS.

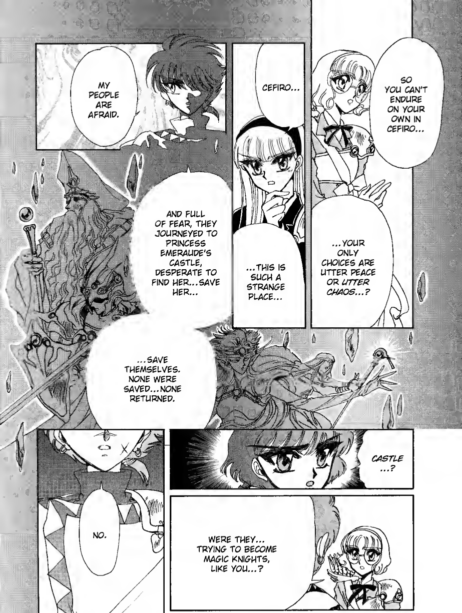

THAT'S RIGHT!
CLEF SAID WE HAVE TO REVIVE THE *MASHIN* IF WE WANT TO BECOME MAGIC KNIGHTS!
BUT THERE'S STILL SOMETHING I DON'T UNDERSTAND ABOUT ALL THIS... WHY MUST THE MAGIC KNIGHTS BE FROM ANOTHER WORLD?
I MEAN, CEFIRO SEEMS FULL OF STRONG PEOPLE LIKE YOU...
NO ONE KNOWS WHY, REALLY. OR IF IT'S REALLY TRUE.
ACTUALLY, THAT'S WHY *I* WAS ON MY WAY TO ETERNA TO FIND SOME ESCUDO.
...I WANTED TO SEE IF *I* COULD BECOME A MAGIC KNIGHT.

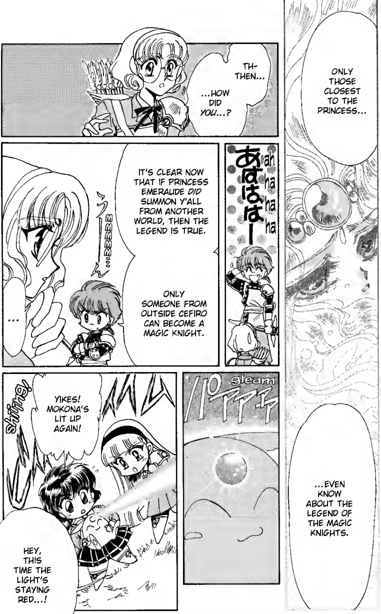

NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT...
...GURU CLEF SAID THAT MANY WARRIORS AND SORCERERS HAD ALREADY TRIED TO RESCUE EMERAUDE.
WELL, IF THEY WENT UP AGAINST ZAGATO, IT'S HOPELESS.
NO ONE CAN BEAT THAT GUY.
I-IS HE TH-*THAT* STRONG ...?
DARN TOOTIN', HE'S THAT STRONG!
spin spin
OH, MY... I FEEL FAINT...
CEFIRO IS A COMPLETE MYSTERY TO US. BUT IF HE'S SO STRONG...
...WOULDN'T IT BE EVEN HARDER FOR STRANGERS LIKE *US* TO WIN...?
WE DON'T KNOW ABOUT USING MAGIC OR FIGHTING MONSTERS IN OUR WORLD...
...I MEAN, EXCEPT IN RPGs. THERE'S SOME INFORMATION ABOUT THEM THERE.
YEAH, "LEGENDARY MAGIC KNIGHTS." WE SOUND LIKE WE SHOULD COME WITH POLYHEDRAL DICE OR SOMETHING.
I DON'T GET IT EITHER, BUT I GUESS WHOEVER MADE THE LEGEND KNEW WHY.

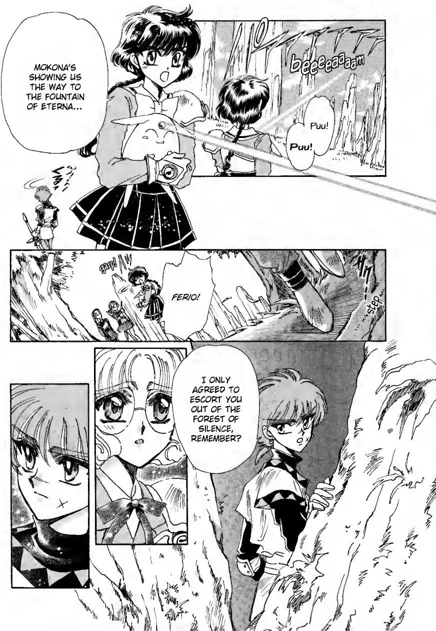

SO THE PILLAR OF CEFIRO, PRINCESS EMERAUDE, HAS BEEN KIDNAPPED BY ZAGATO...
...NO ONE KNOWS WHERE SHE IS, OR WHETHER SHE'S ALL RIGHT.
ALL WE KNOW IS THAT WE DON'T HAVE HER PRAYERS ANY LONGER TO PRESERVE OUR WORLD.
NOW WE SEE THE STORMS... THE TIDAL WAVES...
...AND THE MONSTERS.
EMERAUDE KEPT CEFIRO WHOLE...
...BY THE POWER OF HER WILL.

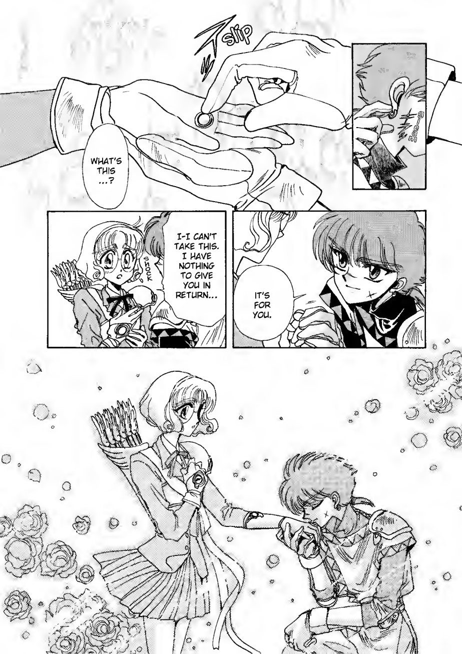

...Y'ALL MAY NOT BELIEVE IT, BUT BEFORE SHE WAS GONE, THIS LAND WAS RICH...
...PEACEFUL... AND BEAUTIFUL.
WE NEVER SAW...
...WHAT IT WOULD BE LIKE WITHOUT HER.
THAT'S WHY THE SKY IS DARK AND THE EARTH SHUDDERS. AND THE MONSTERS...
...Y'ALL *KNOW* WHERE THE MONSTERS COME FROM, DON'T YOU?
THEY COME FROM OUR FEAR.

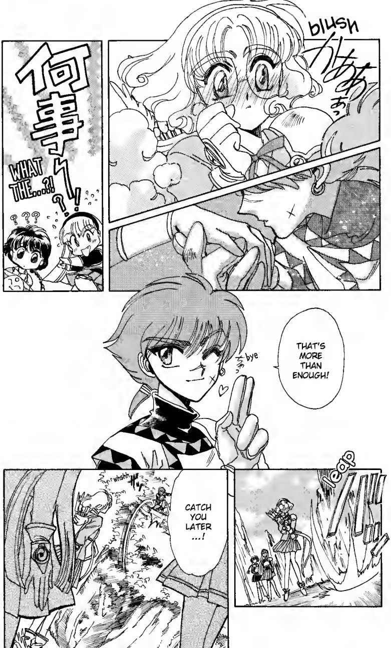

FROM YOUR *FEAR* ...?!
YEAH. WE'RE AFRAID WITHOUT HER...SO THEY CREEP OUT OF OUR SOULS.
IN THIS WORLD, BELIEF IS POWER...
SOULS.
SOULS FULL OF FEAR...
...CREATE HIDEOUS MONSTERS.

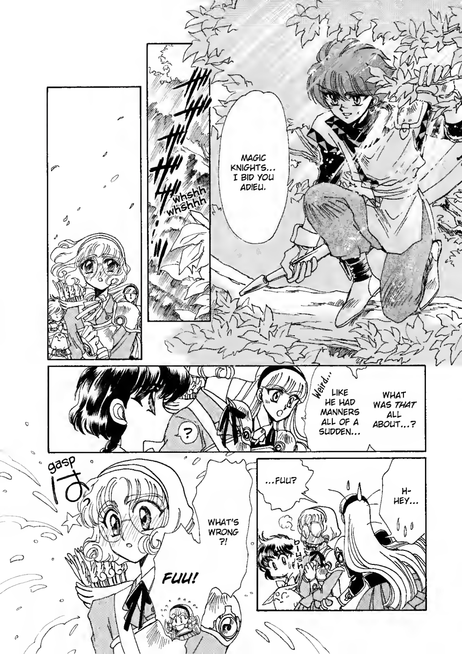

SO YOU CAN'T ENDURE ON YOUR OWN IN CEFIRO...
...YOUR ONLY CHOICES ARE UTTER PEACE OR *UTTER CHAOS*...?
CEFIRO...
...THIS IS SUCH A STRANGE PLACE...
MY PEOPLE ARE AFRAID.
AND FULL OF FEAR, THEY JOURNEYED TO PRINCESS EMERAUDE'S CASTLE, DESPERATE TO FIND HER...SAVE HER...
...SAVE THEMSELVES. NONE WERE SAVED...NONE RETURNED.
CASTLE ...?
WERE THEY... TRYING TO BECOME MAGIC KNIGHTS, LIKE YOU...?
NO.

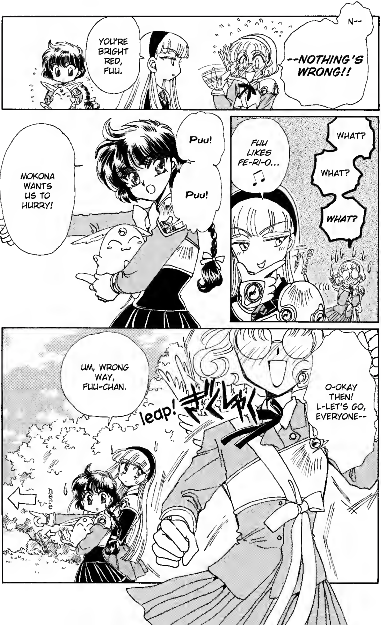

ONLY THOSE CLOSEST TO THE PRINCESS...
...EVEN KNOW ABOUT THE LEGEND OF THE MAGIC KNIGHTS.
TH- THEN...
...HOW DID *YOU*...?
あははー
ah ha ha ha
IT'S CLEAR NOW THAT IF PRINCESS EMERAUDE *DID* SUMMON Y'ALL FROM ANOTHER WORLD, THEN THE LEGEND IS TRUE.
ONLY SOMEONE FROM OUTSIDE CEFIRO CAN BECOME A MAGIC KNIGHT.
うーーー
mmmmm...
...
パアアア
gleam
YIKES! MOKONA'S LIT UP AGAIN!
shiiing!
HEY, THIS TIME THE LIGHT'S STAYING RED...!

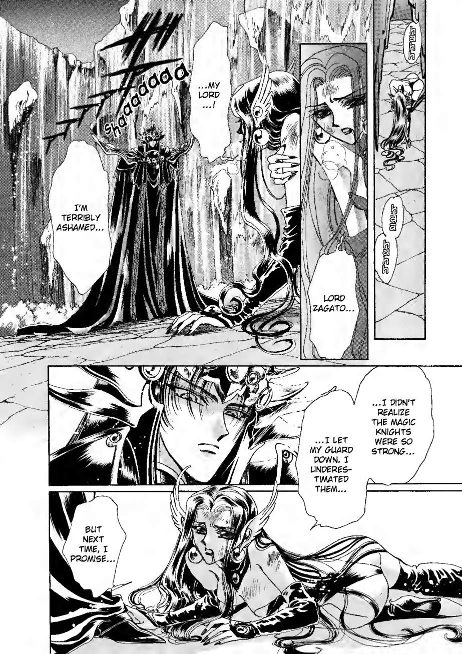

beeeeaaaam
Puu!
Puu!
MOKONA'S SHOWING US THE WAY TO THE FOUNTAIN OF ETERNA...
step
FERIO!
gasp!
I ONLY AGREED TO ESCORT YOU OUT OF THE FOREST OF SILENCE, REMEMBER?

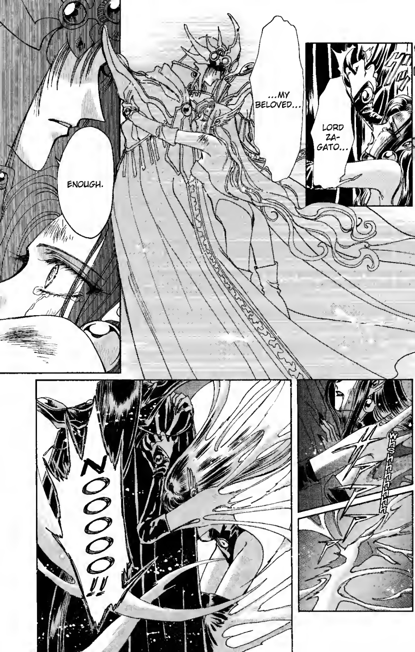

gleam
slip
WHAT'S THIS ...?
IT'S FOR YOU.
SHOCK
I-I CAN'T TAKE THIS. I HAVE NOTHING TO GIVE YOU IN RETURN...

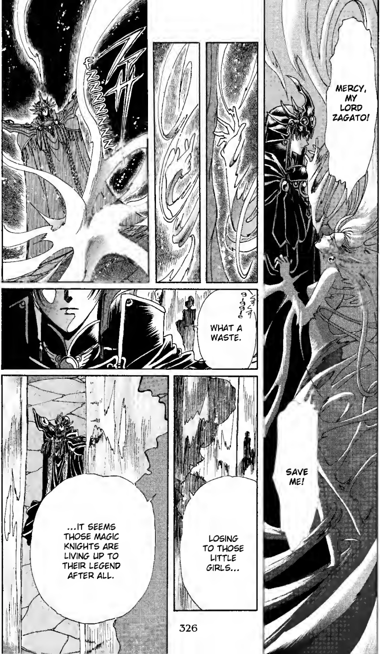

blush
かあああっ
何事!?
WHAT THE...?!
???
?!
ちゃっ
bye
THAT'S MORE THAN ENOUGH!
leap
whshh
CATCH YOU LATER ...!

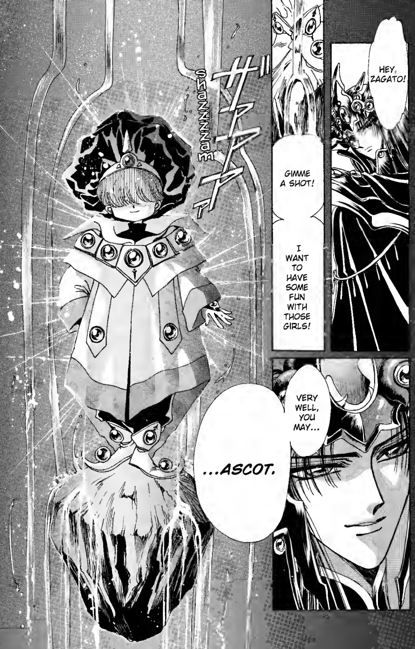

MAGIC KNIGHTS... I BID YOU ADIEU.
whshh whshhh
WHAT WAS THAT ALL ABOUT...?
LIKE HE HAD MANNERS ALL OF A SUDDEN...
Weird...
?
H- HEY...
...FUU?
blush
WHAT'S WRONG ?!
gasp
は
FUU!

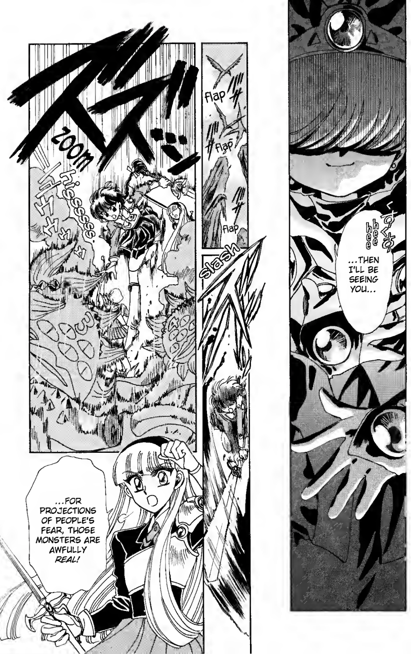

YOU'RE BRIGHT RED, FUU.
N--
--NOTHING'S WRONG!!
FUU LIKES FE-RI-O... ♫
WHAT?
WHAT?
WHAT?
Puu!
Puu!
MOKONA WANTS US TO HURRY!
O-OKAY THEN! L-LET'S GO, EVERYONE--
ぎくしゃく
leap!
UM, WRONG WAY, FUU-CHAN.
here

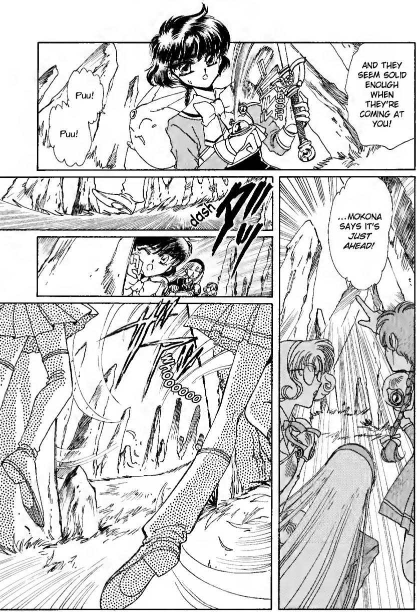

hahh
haa
hahh
LORD ZAGATO...
...MY LORD ...!
Shaaaaaaa
I'M TERRIBLY ASHAMED...
...I DIDN'T REALIZE THE MAGIC KNIGHTS WERE SO STRONG...
...I LET MY GUARD DOWN. I UNDERESTIMATED THEM...
BUT NEXT TIME, I PROMISE...

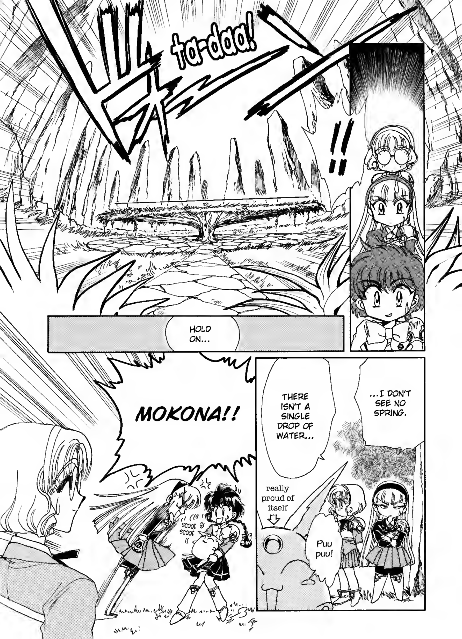

grip
LORD ZA-GATO...
...MY BELOVED...
ENOUGH.
whshhhhhhh
NOOOOOO!!

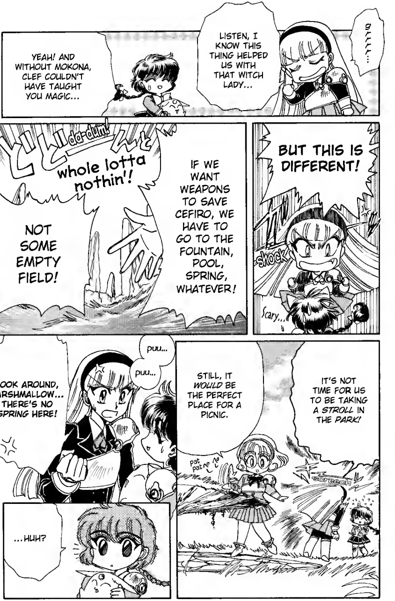

MERCY, MY LORD ZAGATO!
FZZZZZZZZZZ
ZAH
giggle
WHAT A WASTE.
SAVE ME!
LOSING TO THOSE LITTLE GIRLS...
...IT SEEMS THOSE MAGIC KNIGHTS ARE LIVING UP TO THEIR LEGEND AFTER ALL.

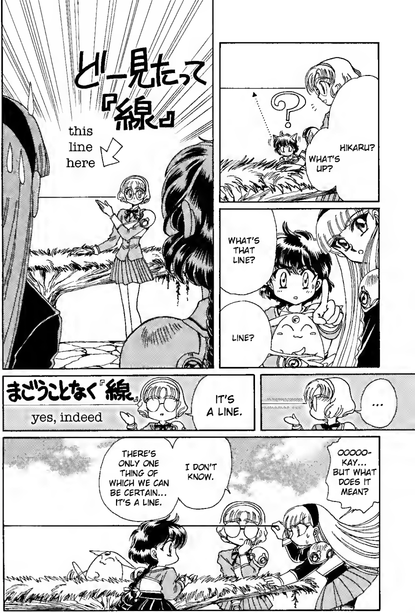

HEY, ZAGATO!
GIMME A SHOT!
I WANT TO HAVE SOME FUN WITH THOSE GIRLS!
VERY WELL, YOU MAY...
...ASCOT.
ザァァァァ
shazzzzzam

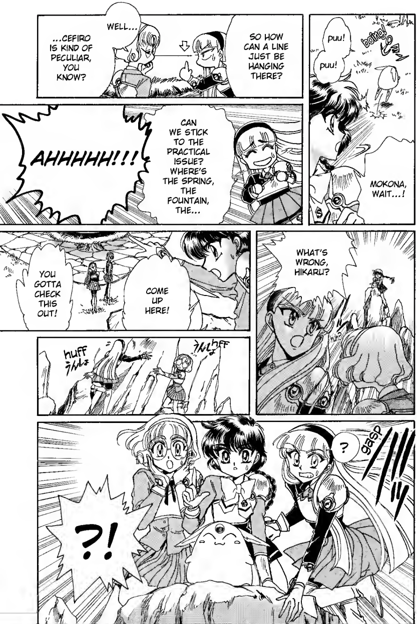

くすくす
hee hee hee
...THEN I'LL BE SEEING YOU...
Flap
Flap
Flap
ズズン
zoom
ジュウゥゥ
hissssss
slash
...FOR PROJECTIONS OF PEOPLE'S FEAR, THOSE MONSTERS ARE AWFULLY *REAL!*

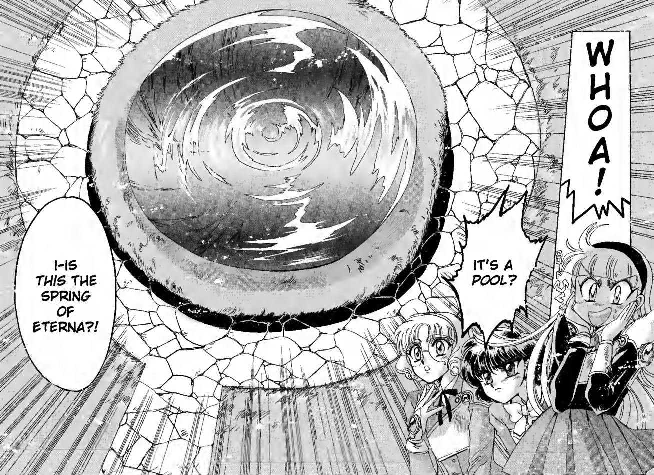

AND THEY SEEM SOLID ENOUGH WHEN THEY'RE COMING AT YOU!
Puu!
Puu!
...MOKONA SAYS IT'S *JUST* AHEAD!
dash
whoooooo

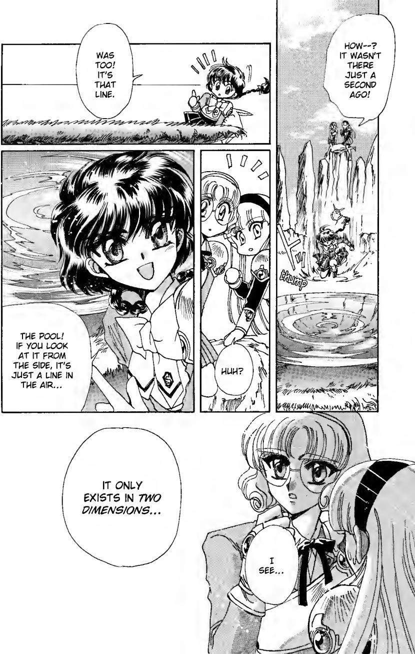

ta-daa!
!!
HOLD ON...
...I DON'T SEE NO SPRING.
THERE ISN'T A SINGLE DROP OF WATER...
really proud of itself
Puu puu!
MOKONA!!
scoot scoot

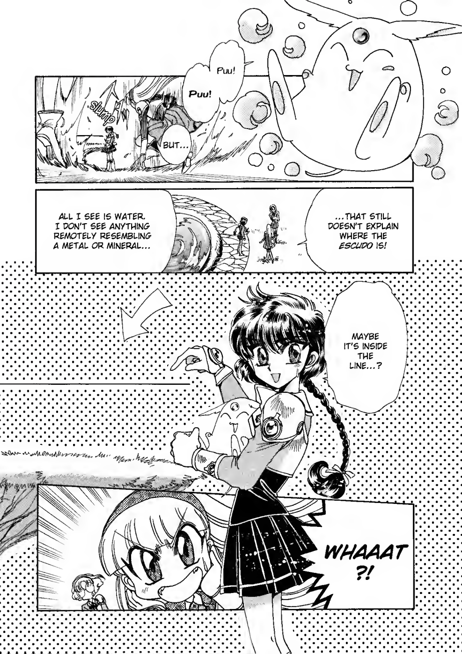

grrrr...
LISTEN, I KNOW THIS THING HELPED US WITH THAT WITCH LADY...
YEAH! AND WITHOUT MOKONA, CLEF COULDN'T HAVE TAUGHT YOU MAGIC...
BUT THIS IS DIFFERENT!
shock
Scary...
IF WE WANT WEAPONS TO SAVE CEFIRO, WE HAVE TO GO TO THE FOUNTAIN, POOL, SPRING, WHATEVER!
どどーんと
da-dum!
whole lotta nothin'!
NOT SOME EMPTY FIELD!
IT'S NOT TIME FOR US TO BE TAKING A *STROLL* IN THE *PARK!*
STILL, IT *WOULD* BE THE PERFECT PLACE FOR A PICNIC.
screech
pat pat
puu...
puu...
LOOK AROUND, MARSHMALLOW... THERE'S NO SPRING HERE!
...HUH?

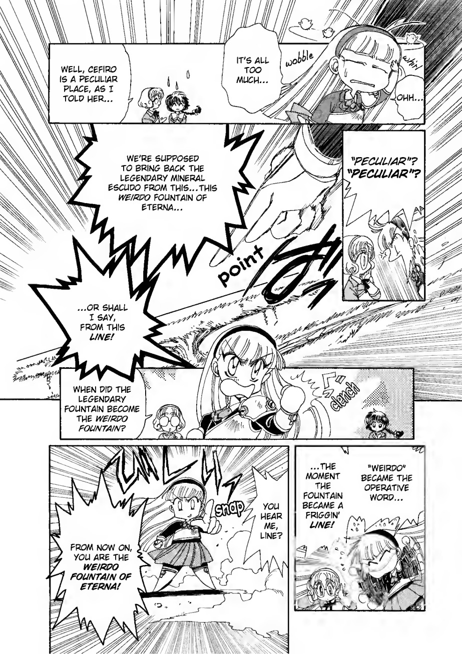

HIKARU?
WHAT'S UP?
WHAT'S THAT LINE?
LINE?
どー見たって『線』
this line here
...
まごうことなく『線』
yes, indeed
IT'S A LINE.
OOOOO-KAY... BUT WHAT DOES IT MEAN?
I DON'T KNOW.
THERE'S ONLY ONE THING OF WHICH WE CAN BE CERTAIN... IT'S A LINE.

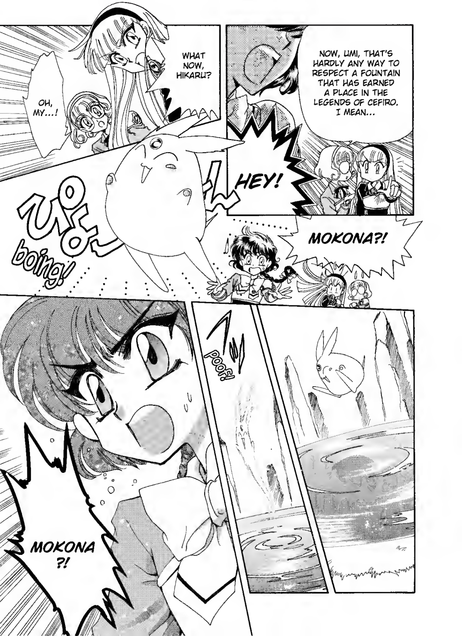

puu!
puu!
boing!
MOKONA, WAIT...!
SO HOW CAN A LINE JUST BE HANGING THERE?
WELL...
...CEFIRO IS KIND OF PECULIAR, YOU KNOW?
CAN WE STICK TO THE PRACTICAL ISSUE? WHERE'S THE SPRING, THE FOUNTAIN, THE...
AHHHHH!!!
WHAT'S WRONG, HIKARU?
COME UP HERE!
YOU GOTTA CHECK THIS OUT!
hff
うんしょ
huff
うんしょ
gasp
?
?!

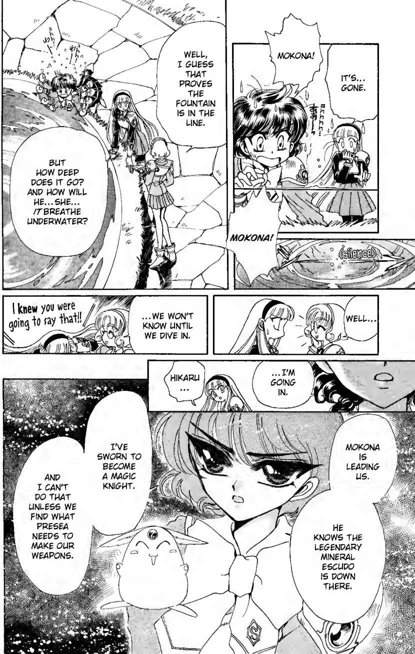

WHOA!
gulp
IT'S A POOL?
I-IS THIS THE SPRING OF ETERNA?!

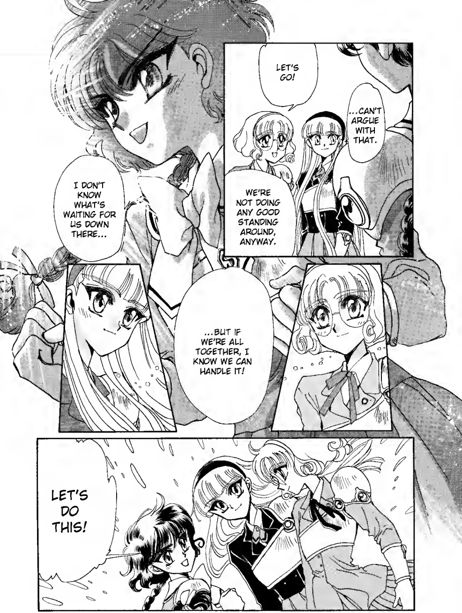

HOW--? IT WASN'T THERE JUST A SECOND AGO!
THUMP
WAS TOO! IT'S THAT LINE.
HUH?
THE POOL! IF YOU LOOK AT IT FROM THE SIDE, IT'S JUST A LINE IN THE AIR...
IT ONLY EXISTS IN *TWO DIMENSIONS*...
I SEE...

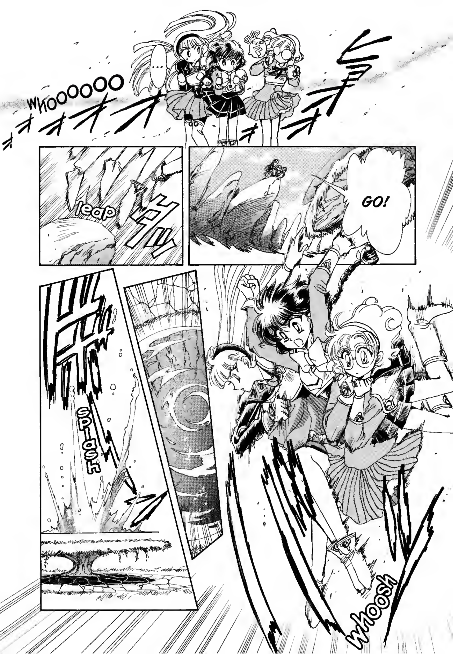

slump
Puu!
Puu!
BUT...
ALL I SEE IS WATER. I DON'T SEE ANYTHING REMOTELY RESEMBLING A METAL OR MINERAL...
...THAT STILL DOESN'T EXPLAIN WHERE THE *ESCUDO* IS!
MAYBE IT'S INSIDE THE LINE...?
WHAAAT?!

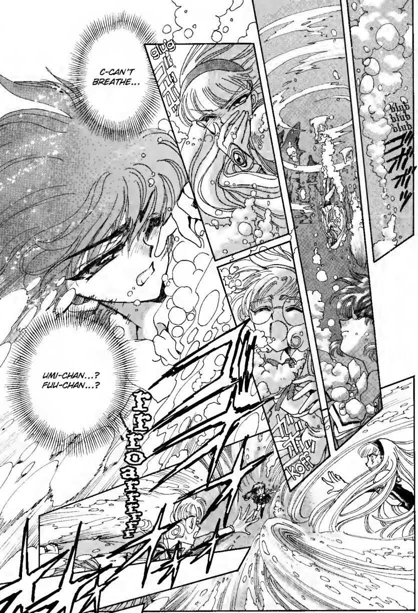

WELL, CEFIRO IS A PECULIAR PLACE, AS I TOLD HER...
IT'S ALL TOO MUCH...
wobble
whirl
OHH...
"PECULIAR"? *"PECULIAR"?*
WE'RE SUPPOSED TO BRING BACK THE LEGENDARY MINERAL ESCUDO FROM THIS...THIS *WEIRDO* FOUNTAIN OF ETERNA...
point
...OR SHALL I SAY, FROM THIS *LINE!*
WHEN DID THE LEGENDARY FOUNTAIN BECOME THE *WEIRDO FOUNTAIN?*
clench
snap
FROM NOW ON, YOU ARE THE *WEIRDO FOUNTAIN OF ETERNA!*
YOU HEAR ME, LINE?
"WEIRDO" BECAME THE OPERATIVE WORD...
...THE MOMENT THE FOUNTAIN BECAME A FRIGGIN' *LINE!*

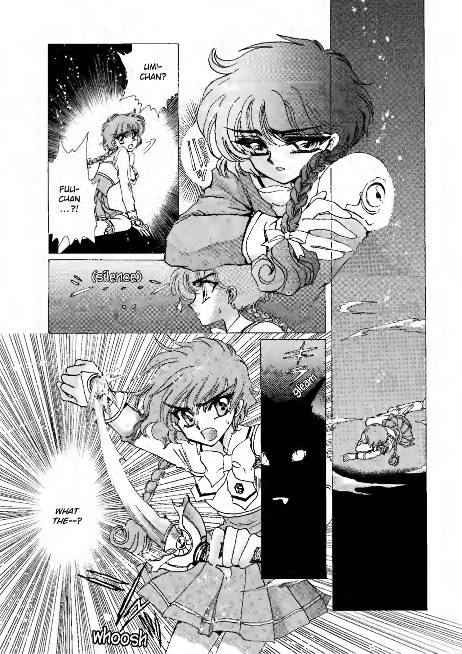

NOW, UMI, THAT'S HARDLY ANY WAY TO RESPECT A FOUNTAIN THAT HAS EARNED A PLACE IN THE LEGENDS OF CEFIRO. I MEAN...
HEY!
WHAT NOW, HIKARU?
OH, MY...!
boing!
MOKONA?!
poof!
MOKONA ?!

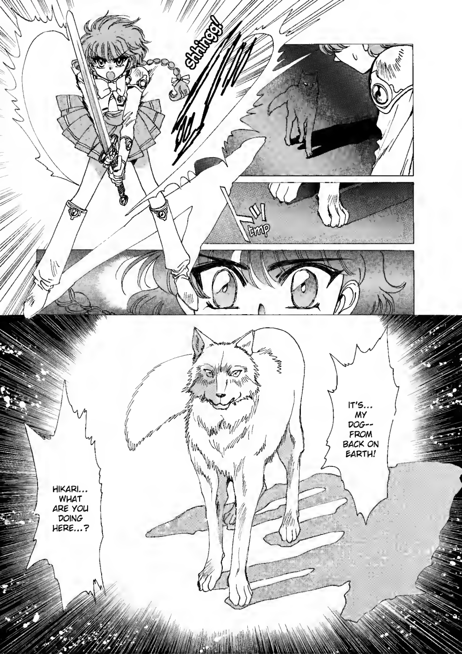

MOKONA!
IT'S... GONE.
ahhhh!!
MOKONA!
(silence)
WELL, I GUESS THAT PROVES THE FOUNTAIN IS IN THE LINE.
BUT HOW DEEP DOES IT GO? AND HOW WILL HE... SHE... *IT* BREATHE UNDERWATER?
WELL...
...WE WON'T KNOW UNTIL WE DIVE IN.
I knew you were going to say that!!
...I'M GOING IN.
HIKARU ...
MOKONA IS LEADING US.
HE KNOWS THE LEGENDARY MINERAL ESCUDO IS DOWN THERE.
I'VE SWORN TO BECOME A MAGIC KNIGHT.
AND I CAN'T DO THAT UNLESS WE FIND WHAT PRESEA NEEDS TO MAKE OUR WEAPONS.

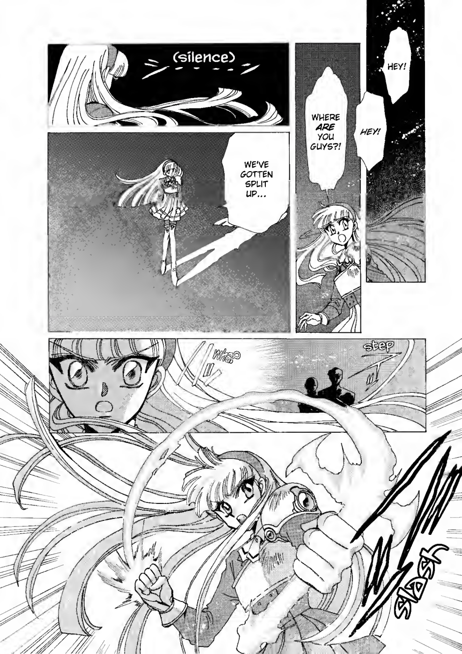

LET'S GO!
...CAN'T ARGUE WITH THAT.
WE'RE NOT DOING ANY GOOD STANDING AROUND, ANYWAY.
I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S WAITING FOR US DOWN THERE...
...BUT IF WE'RE ALL TOGETHER, I KNOW WE CAN HANDLE IT!
LET'S DO THIS!

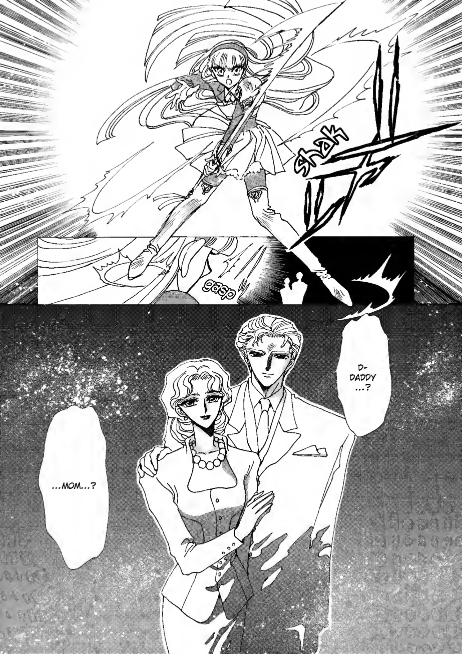

gulp
...
WHOOOOOO
GO!
leap
whoosh
splash

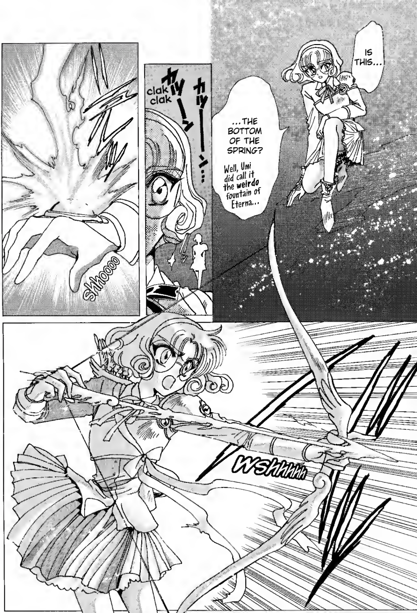

blub blub blub
ゴボボッ
glug
ゴボッ
C-CAN'T BREATHE...
ケホッ
koff
UMI-CHAN...? FUU-CHAN...?
rrroarrrr

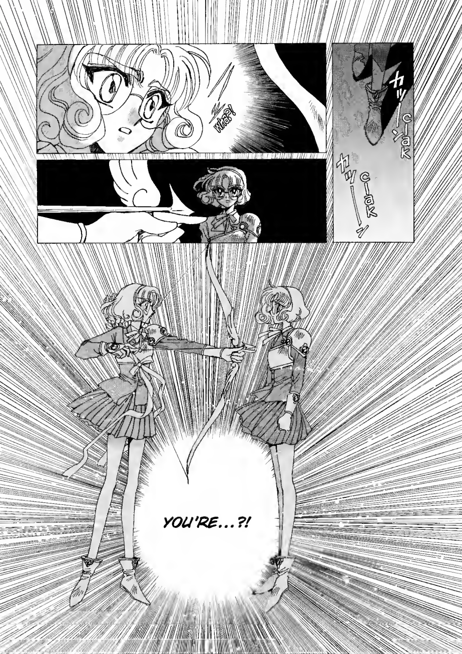

UMI-CHAN?
glomp
FUU-CHAN ...?!
(silence)
gleam
WHAT THE--?
whoosh

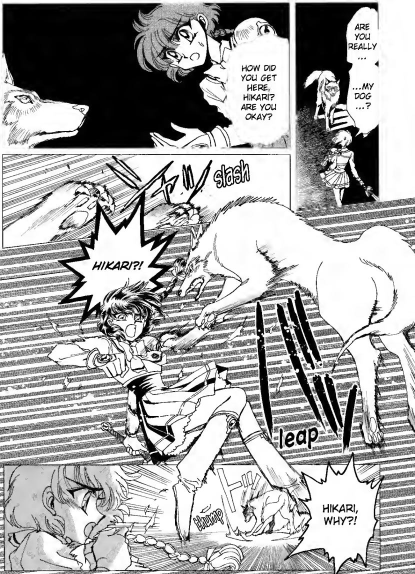

shhingg!
tmp
IT'S... MY DOG-- FROM BACK ON EARTH!
HIKARI... WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE...?

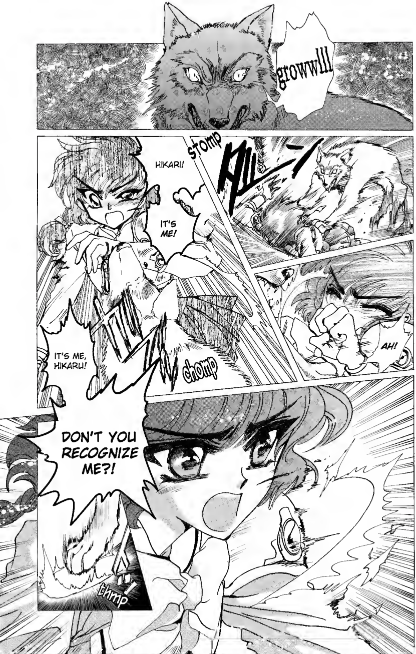

HEY!
HEY!
WHERE *ARE* YOU GUYS?!
(silence)
WE'VE GOTTEN SPLIT UP...
step
wha?
slash

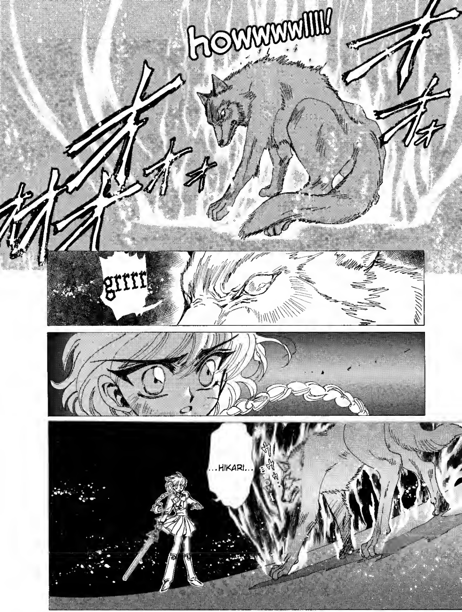

shak
gasp
D-DADDY ...?
...MOM...?

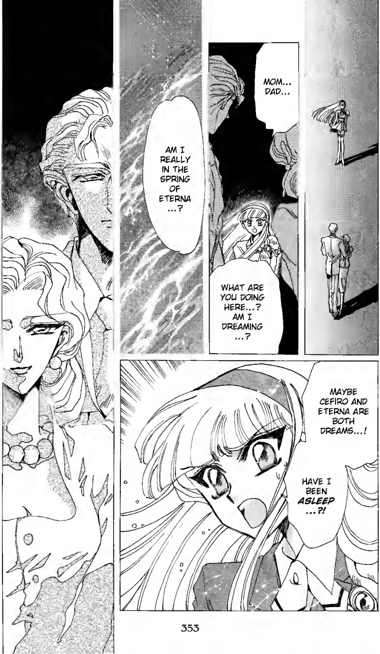

IS THIS...
...THE BOTTOM OF THE SPRING?
Well, Umi did call it the **weirdo** fountain of Eterna...
カッーン…
カッーン
clak clak
shhoooo
WSHhhhh

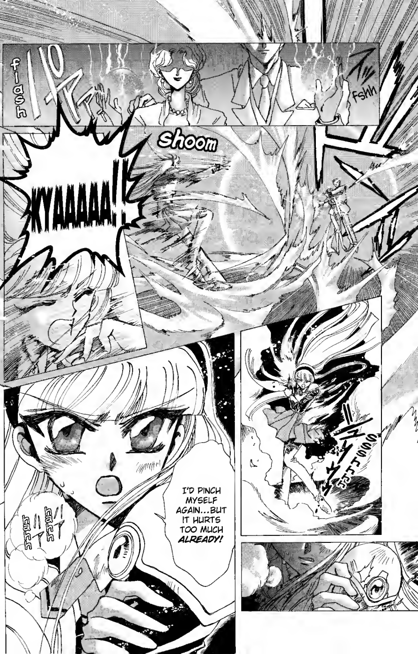

カッーン
clak
カッーーン
clak
WHA?!
YOU'RE...?!

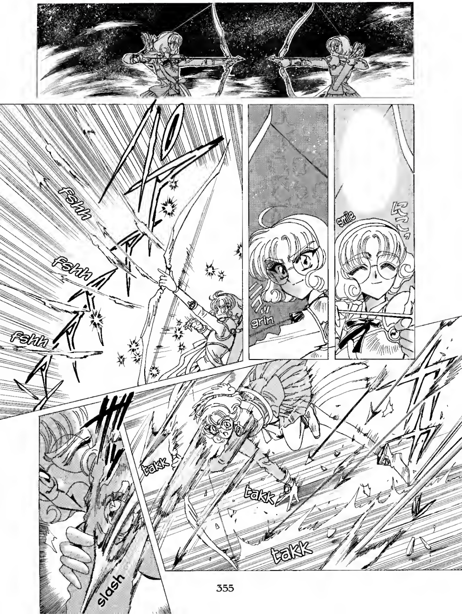

ARE YOU REALLY ...
...MY DOG ...?
HOW DID YOU GET HERE, HIKARI? ARE YOU OKAY?
ザッ
slash
HIKARI?!
leap
HIKARI, WHY?!
ドッ
thump

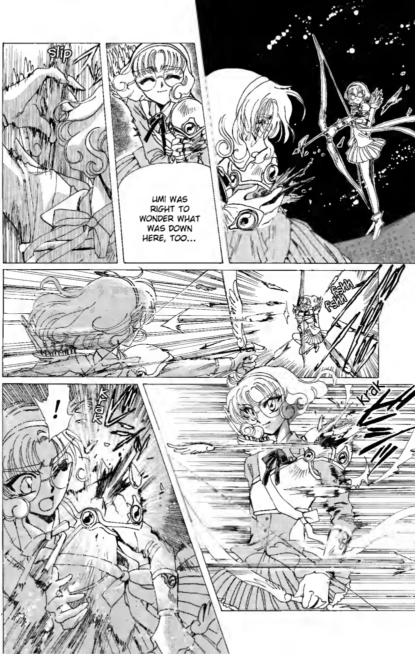

growwlll
stomp
AH!
HIKARI!
IT'S ME!
chomp
IT'S ME, HIKARU!
DON'T YOU RECOGNIZE ME?!
thmp

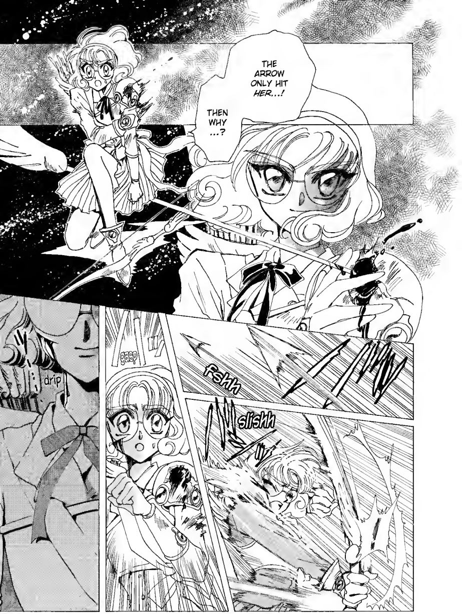

howwwwlllll!
オォ
オオオォォ
grrrr
...HIKARI...

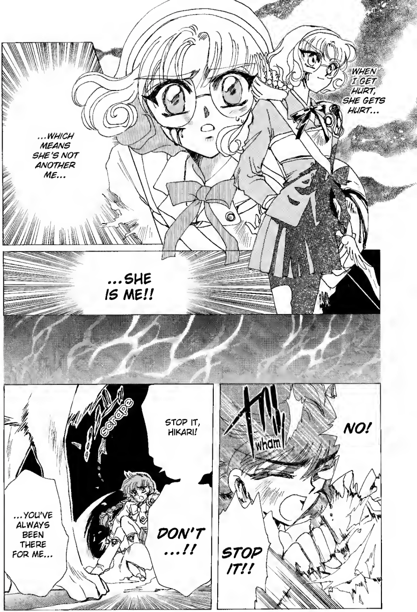

MOM... DAD...
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE...? AM I DREAMING...?
AM I REALLY IN THE SPRING OF ETERNA...?
MAYBE CEFIRO AND ETERNA ARE BOTH DREAMS...!
HAVE I BEEN *ASLEEP*...?!

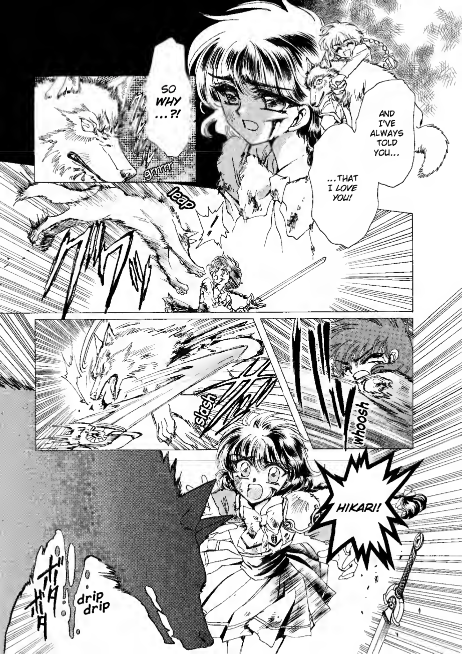

Fshh
flash
shoom
KYAAAAA!
SSShhhh
I'D PINCH MYSELF AGAIN...BUT IT HURTS TOO MUCH ***ALREADY!***
hah hah

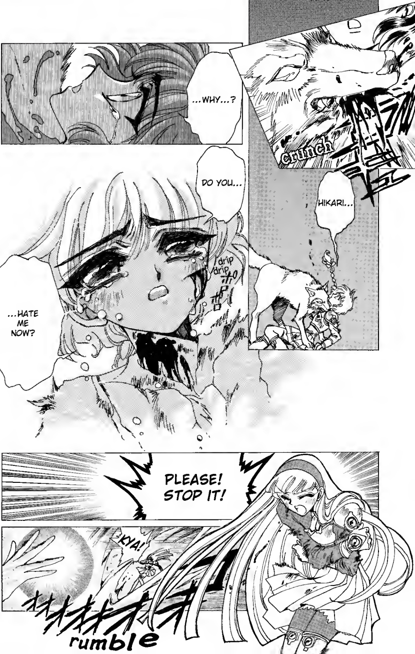

にこっ
smile
ニカッ
grin
fshh
fshh
fshh
takk
takk
takk
slash

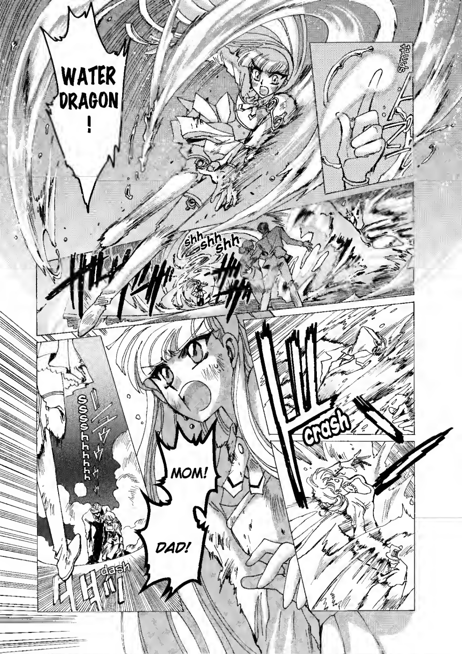

UMI WAS RIGHT TO WONDER WHAT WAS DOWN HERE, TOO...
slip
fshh fshh
krak
krak
!

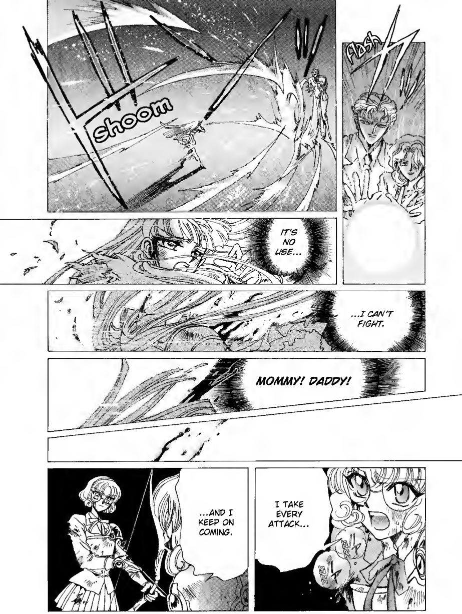

THE ARROW ONLY HIT *HER*...!
THEN WHY ...?
fshh
slishh
gasp
drip

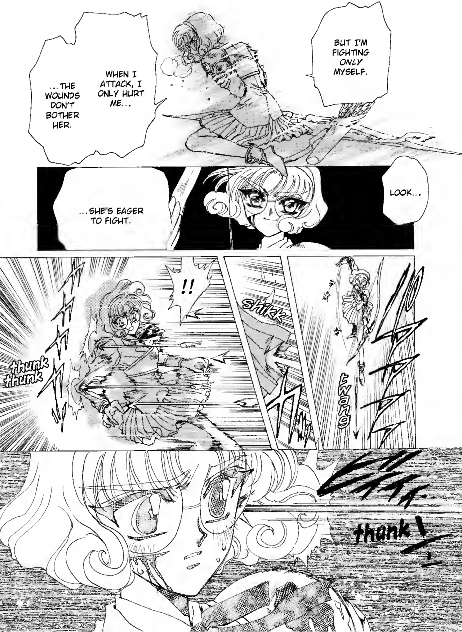

WHEN I GET HURT, SHE GETS HURT...
...WHICH MEANS SHE'S NOT ANOTHER ME...
...SHE IS ME!!
NO!
wham
STOP IT!!
STOP IT, HIKARI!
scrape
DON'T ...!!
...YOU'VE ALWAYS BEEN THERE FOR ME...

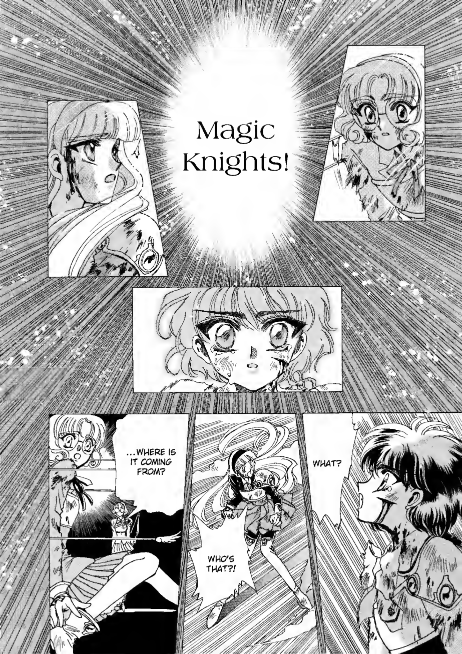

AND I'VE ALWAYS TOLD YOU...
...THAT I *LOVE* YOU!
SO *WHY* ...?!
grrrrr
leap
whoosh
slash
HIKARI!
ボタ ボタ
drip drip

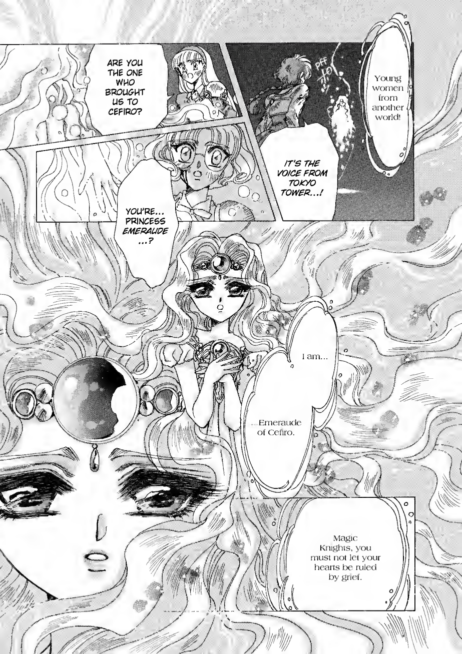

crunch
...WHY...?
HIKARI...
DO YOU...
drip
drip
...HATE ME NOW?
PLEASE! STOP IT!
KYA!
rumble

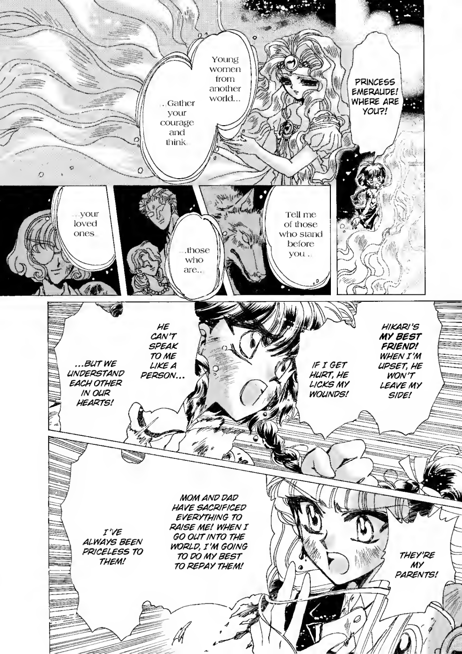

spirrtt
WATER DRAGON !
shh shh shh
crash
MOM!
DAD!
ssssshhhhhh
dash

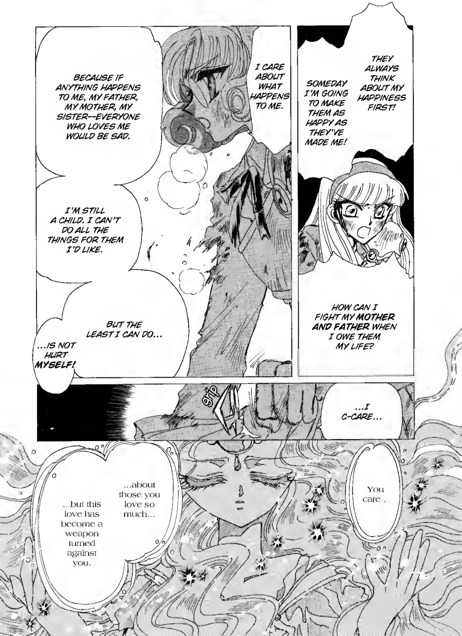

Flash
shoom
IT'S NO USE...
...I CAN'T FIGHT.
MOMMY! DADDY!
I TAKE EVERY ATTACK...
...AND I KEEP ON COMING.

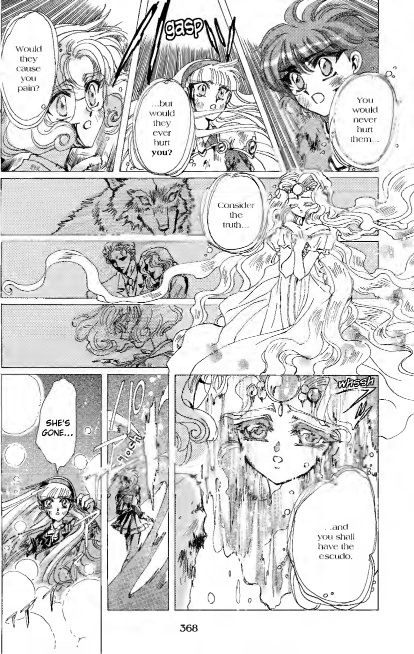

BUT I'M FIGHTING *ONLY* MYSELF.
WHEN I ATTACK, I ONLY HURT ME...
...THE WOUNDS DON'T BOTHER HER.
LOOK...
...SHE'S EAGER TO FIGHT.
twang
shikk
!!
thunk thunk
thunk!

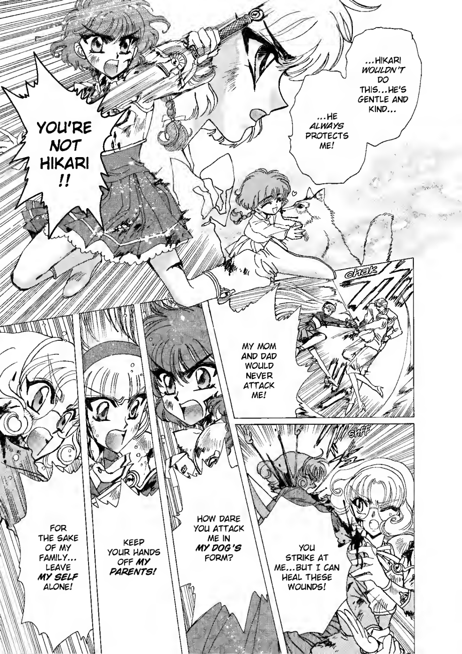

Magic Knights!
WHAT?
WHO'S THAT?!
...WHERE IS IT COMING FROM?

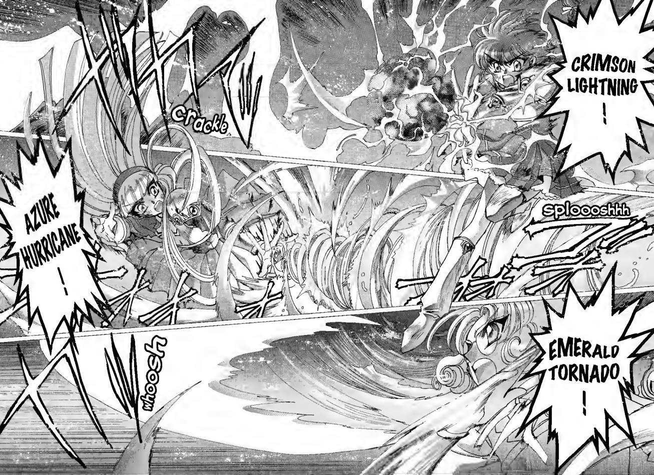

Young women from another world!
IT'S THE VOICE FROM TOKYO TOWER...!
ARE YOU THE ONE WHO BROUGHT US TO CEFIRO?
YOU'RE... PRINCESS EMERAUDE ...?
I am...
...Emeraude of Cefiro.
Magic Knights, you must not let your hearts be ruled by grief.

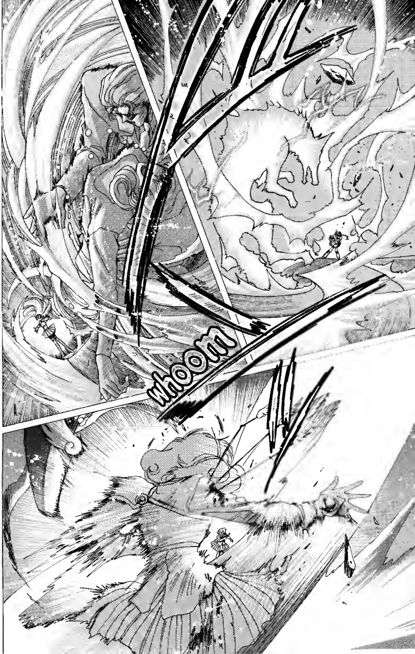

PRINCESS EMERAUDE! WHERE ARE YOU?!
Young women from another world...
...Gather your courage and think...
Tell me of those who stand before you...
...those who are...
...your loved ones...
HIKARI'S MY BEST FRIEND! WHEN I'M UPSET, HE WON'T LEAVE MY SIDE!
IF I GET HURT, HE LICKS MY WOUNDS!
HE CAN'T SPEAK TO ME LIKE A PERSON...
...BUT WE UNDERSTAND EACH OTHER IN OUR HEARTS!
THEY'RE MY PARENTS!
MOM AND DAD HAVE SACRIFICED EVERYTHING TO RAISE ME! WHEN I GO OUT INTO THE WORLD, I'M GOING TO DO MY BEST TO REPAY THEM!
I'VE ALWAYS BEEN PRICELESS TO THEM!

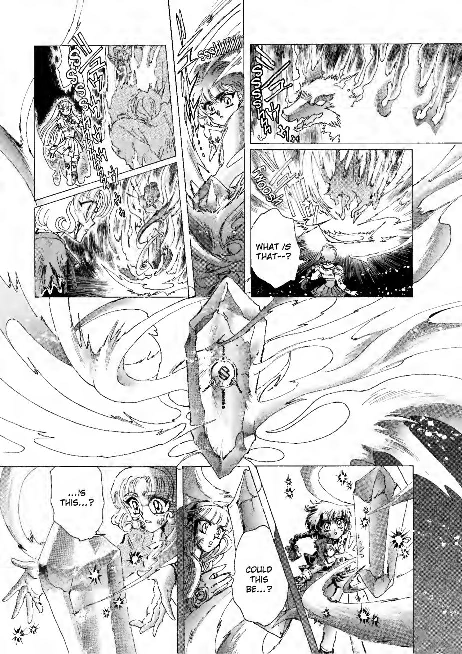

THEY ALWAYS THINK ABOUT MY HAPPINESS FIRST!
SOMEDAY I'M GOING TO MAKE THEM AS HAPPY AS THEY'VE MADE ME!
HOW CAN I FIGHT MY **MOTHER AND FATHER** WHEN I OWE THEM MY LIFE?
I CARE ABOUT WHAT HAPPENS TO ME.
BECAUSE IF ANYTHING HAPPENS TO ME, MY FATHER, MY MOTHER, MY SISTER--EVERYONE WHO LOVES ME WOULD BE SAD.
I'M STILL A CHILD. I CAN'T DO ALL THE THINGS FOR THEM I'D LIKE.
BUT THE LEAST I CAN DO...
...IS NOT HURT **MYSELF!**
grip
...I C-CARE...
You care ...
...about those you love so much...
...but this love has become a weapon turned against you.

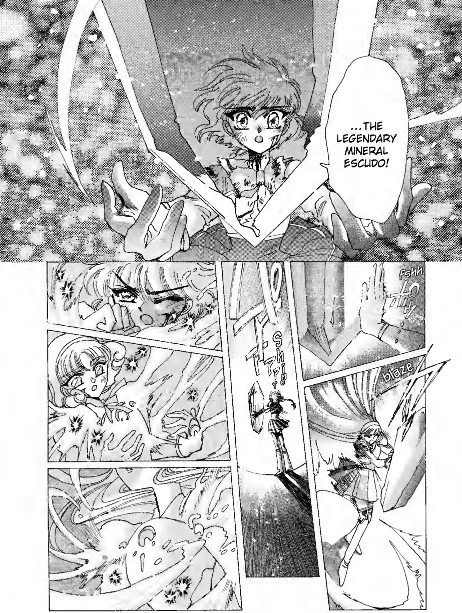

You would never hurt them...
gasp
...but would they ever hurt **you?**
Would they cause you pain?
Consider the truth...
whssh
...and you shall have the escudo.
flash
SHE'S GONE...

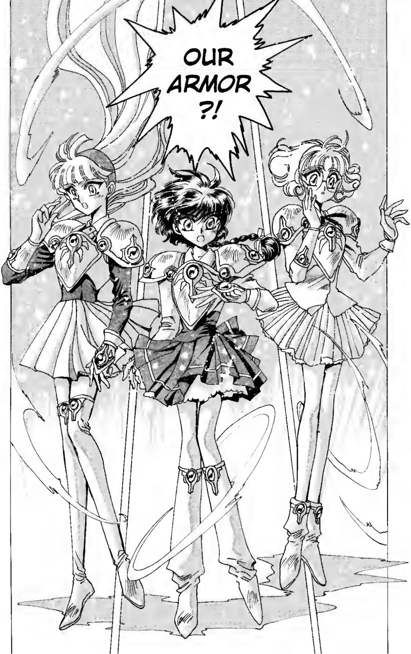

...HIKARI *WOULDN'T* DO THIS...HE'S GENTLE AND KIND...
...HE *ALWAYS* PROTECTS ME!
YOU'RE *NOT* HIKARI !!
chak
MY MOM AND DAD WOULD NEVER ATTACK ME!
shfff
YOU STRIKE AT ME...BUT I CAN HEAL THESE WOUNDS!
HOW DARE YOU ATTACK ME IN ***MY DOG'S*** FORM?
KEEP YOUR HANDS OFF ***MY PARENTS!***
FOR THE SAKE OF MY FAMILY... LEAVE ***MY SELF*** ALONE!

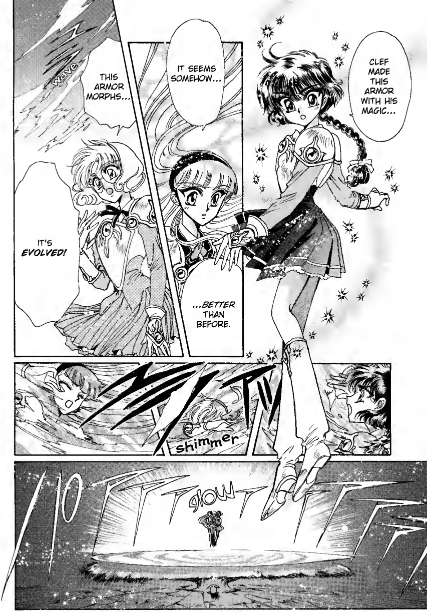

CRIMSON LIGHTNING!
crackle
splooooshhh
AZURE HURRICANE!
EMERALD TORNADO!
whoosh


whoom

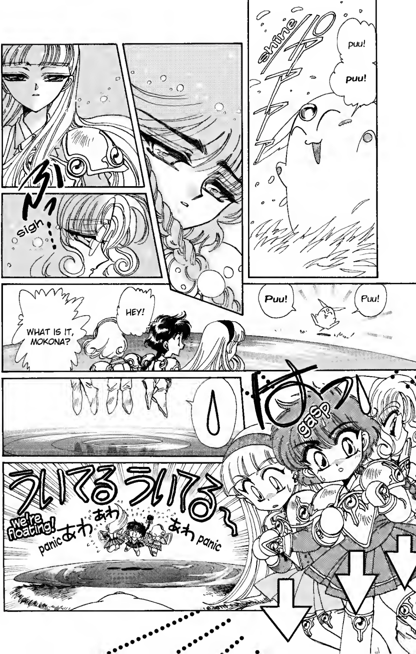

SSSSHHHHHH
ssshhhhh
SSSSSHHHHHHHHHHH
fwoosh
WHAT IS THAT--?
COULD THIS BE...?
...IS THIS...?

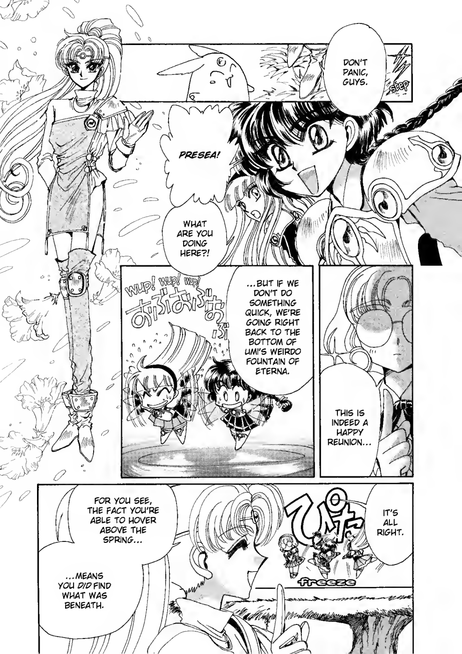

...THE LEGENDARY MINERAL ESCUDO!
fshh
Shine
blaze

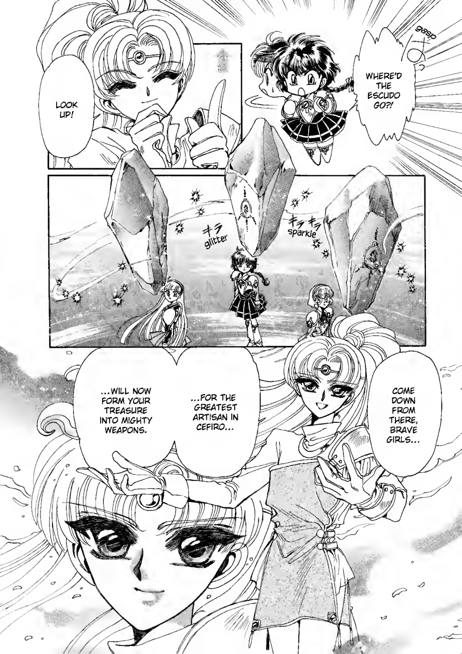

OUR ARMOR ?!

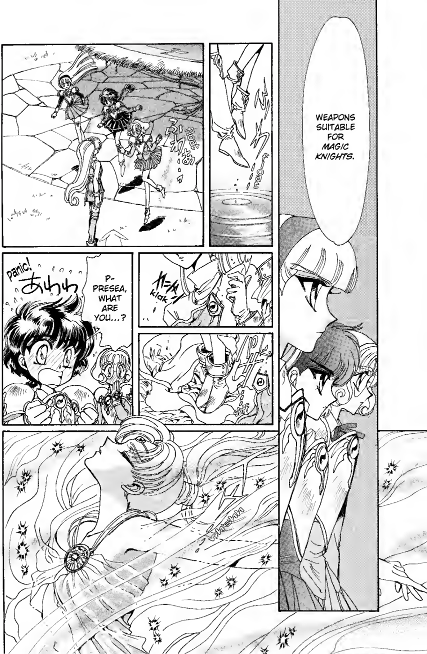

CLEF MADE THIS ARMOR WITH HIS MAGIC...
IT SEEMS SOMEHOW...
...BETTER THAN BEFORE.
wave
THIS ARMOR MORPHS...
IT'S *EVOLVED!*
shimmer
glow

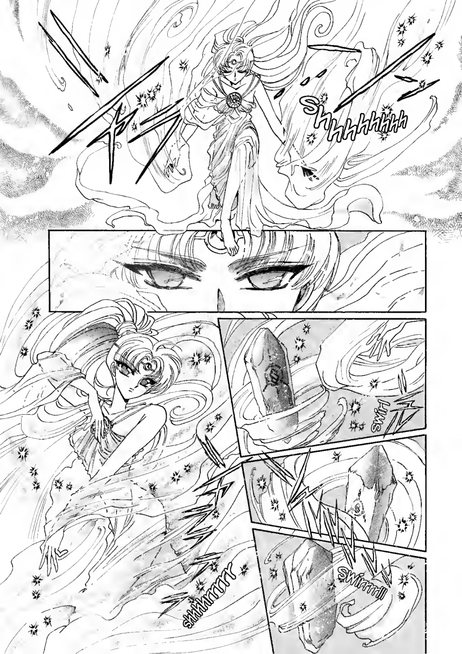
パアアアア
flash

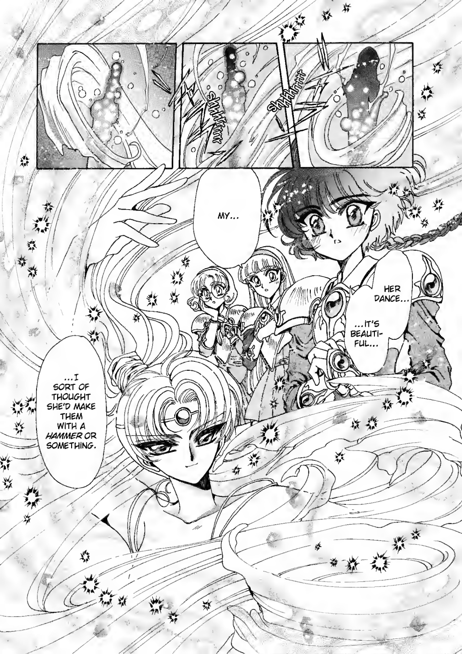

shine
puu!
puu!
sigh
Puu!
Puu!
HEY!
WHAT IS IT, MOKONA?
はっ
gasp
ういてるういてる～
We're floating!
あわ
あわ
panic
あわ
panic

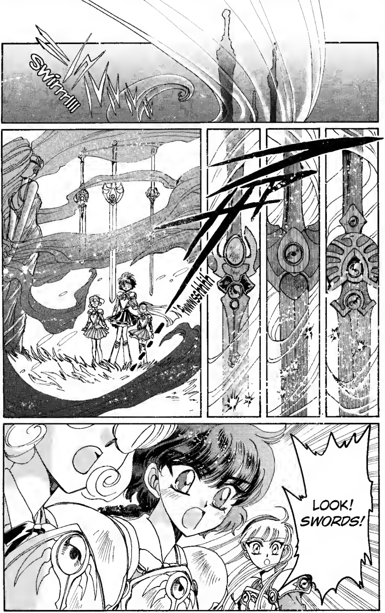

DON'T PANIC, GUYS.
step
PRESEA!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?!
THIS IS INDEED A HAPPY REUNION…
…BUT IF WE DON'T DO SOMETHING QUICK, WE'RE GOING RIGHT BACK TO THE BOTTOM OF UMI'S WEIRDO FOUNTAIN OF ETERNA.
WUP! WUP! WUP!
おぶおぶおぶ
IT'S ALL RIGHT.
ぴた
freeze
FOR YOU SEE, THE FACT YOU'RE ABLE TO HOVER ABOVE THE SPRING…
…MEANS YOU *DID* FIND WHAT WAS BENEATH.

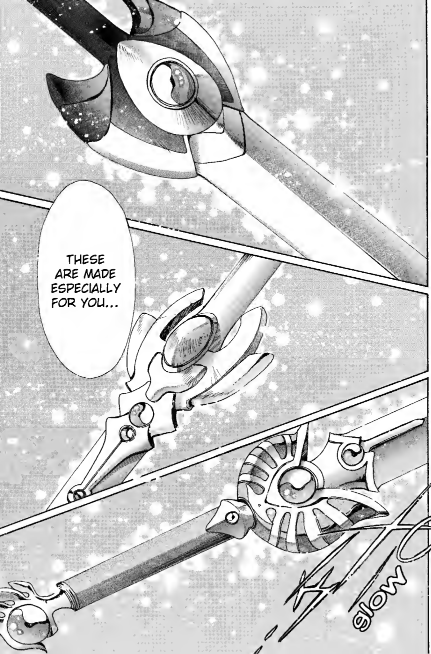

gasp
WHERE'D THE ESCUDO GO?!
LOOK UP!
キラ キラ sparkle
キラ glitter
COME DOWN FROM THERE, BRAVE GIRLS...
...FOR THE GREATEST ARTISAN IN CEFIRO...
...WILL NOW FORM YOUR TREASURE INTO MIGHTY WEAPONS.

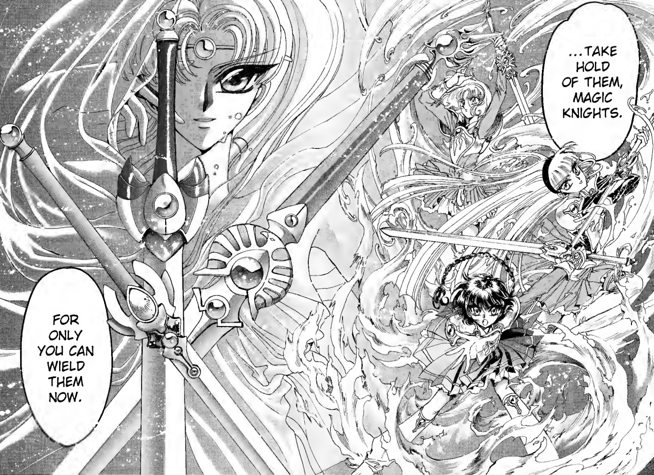

WEAPONS SUITABLE FOR MAGIC KNIGHTS.
ふわっ
float
ふわあっ
float
カチャ
klak
パサ
shff
panic!
あわわ
P-PRESEA, WHAT ARE YOU...?
whshh

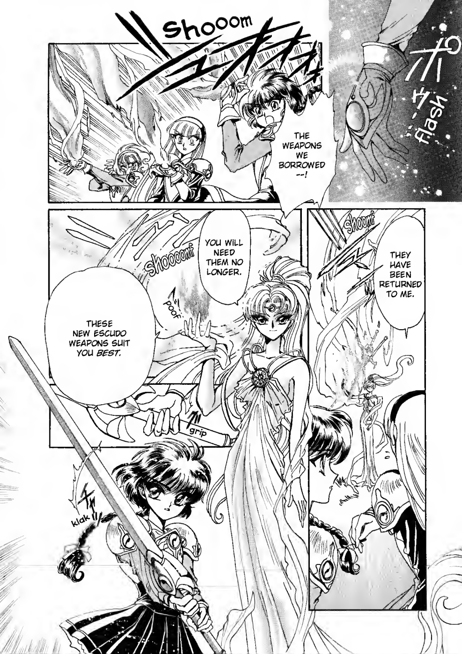

Shhhhhhhh
swirl
swirrrrlll
shhhhrrrrrr


shhhrrrr
shhhrrrr
MY...
HER DANCE...
...IT'S BEAUTIFUL...
...I SORT OF THOUGHT SHE'D MAKE THEM WITH A *HAMMER* OR SOMETHING.

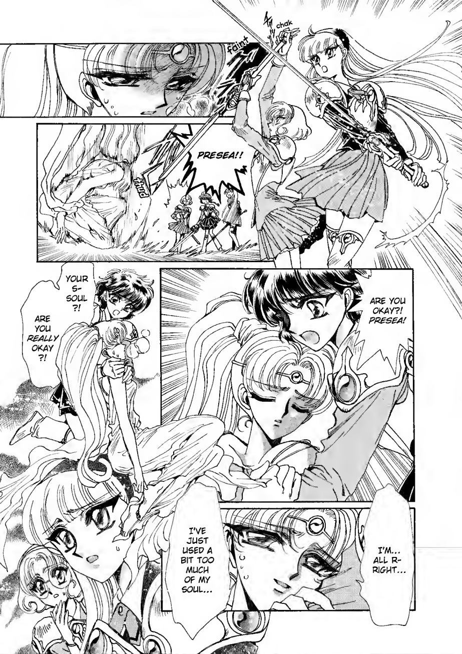

Swirrrllll
Fwwwsshhhh
LOOK! SWORDS!

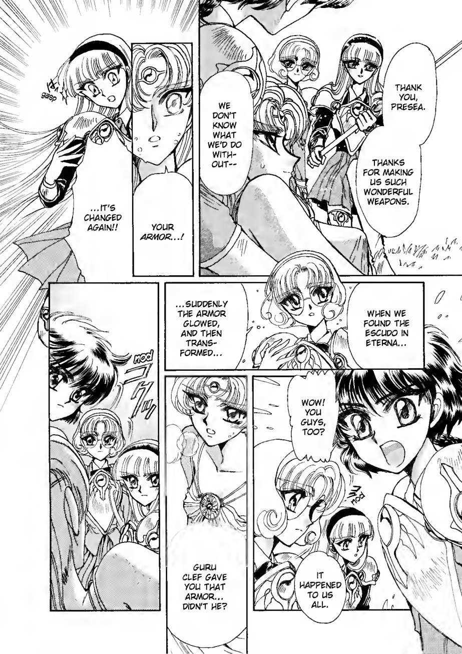

THESE ARE MADE ESPECIALLY FOR YOU...
glow

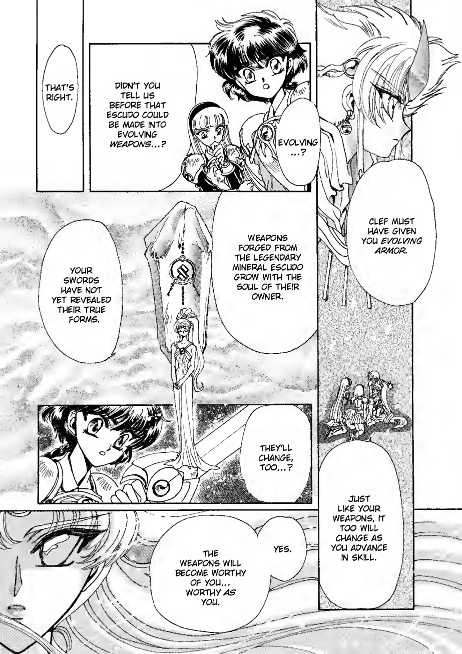

...TAKE HOLD OF THEM, MAGIC KNIGHTS.
FOR ONLY YOU CAN WIELD THEM NOW.

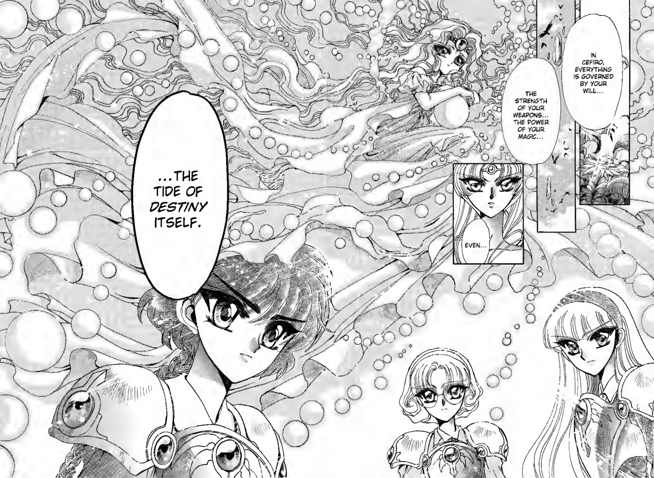


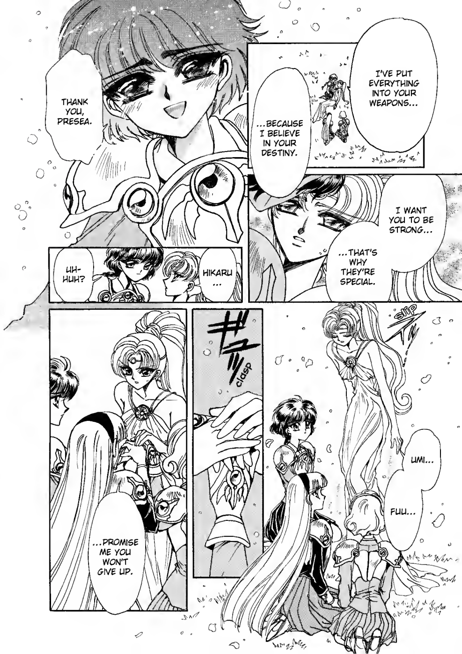
ポッ
flash
Shooom
THE WEAPONS WE BORROWED --!
Shooomf
THEY HAVE BEEN RETURNED TO ME.
shooooomf
YOU WILL NEED THEM NO LONGER.
poof
THESE NEW ESCUDO WEAPONS SUIT YOU *BEST.*
grip
klak

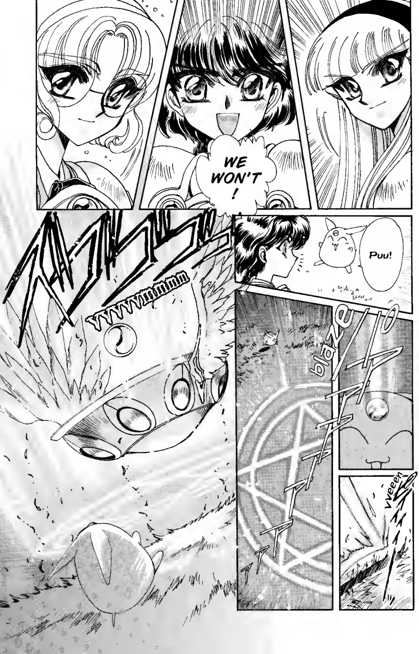

chak
faint
PRESEA!!
thud
ARE YOU OKAY?! PRESEA!
I'M... ALL R-RIGHT...
I'VE JUST USED A BIT TOO MUCH OF MY SOUL...
YOUR S-SOUL ?!
ARE YOU *REALLY* OKAY ?!

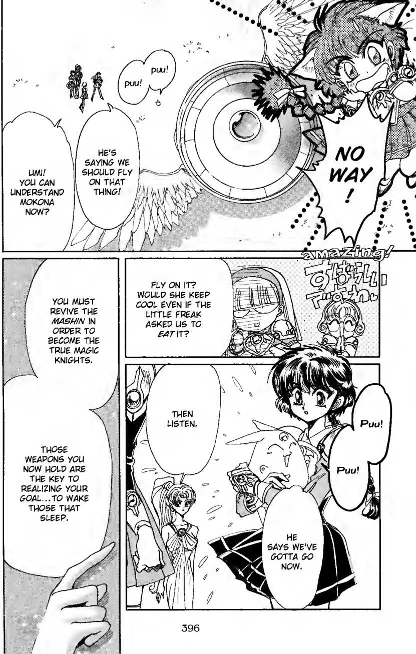

THANK YOU, PRESEA.
THANKS FOR MAKING US SUCH WONDERFUL WEAPONS.
WE DON'T KNOW WHAT WE'D DO WITH-OUT--
YOUR *ARMOR...!*
gasp
...IT'S CHANGED AGAIN!!
WHEN WE FOUND THE ESCUDO IN ETERNA...
...SUDDENLY THE ARMOR GLOWED, AND THEN TRANS-FORMED...
nod
WOW! YOU GUYS, TOO?
nod
IT HAPPENED TO US ALL.
GURU CLEF GAVE YOU THAT ARMOR... DIDN'T HE?]

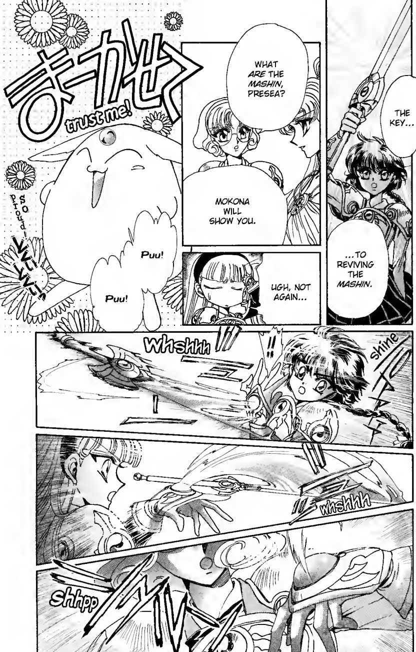

EVOLVING ...?
DIDN'T YOU TELL US BEFORE THAT ESCUDO COULD BE MADE INTO EVOLVING *WEAPONS*...?
THAT'S RIGHT.
CLEF MUST HAVE GIVEN YOU *EVOLVING ARMOR.*
WEAPONS FORGED FROM THE LEGENDARY MINERAL ESCUDO GROW WITH THE SOUL OF THEIR OWNER.
YOUR SWORDS HAVE NOT YET REVEALED THEIR TRUE FORMS.
THEY'LL CHANGE, TOO...?
JUST LIKE YOUR WEAPONS, IT TOO WILL CHANGE AS YOU ADVANCE IN SKILL.
YES.
THE WEAPONS WILL BECOME WORTHY OF YOU... WORTHY *AS* YOU.

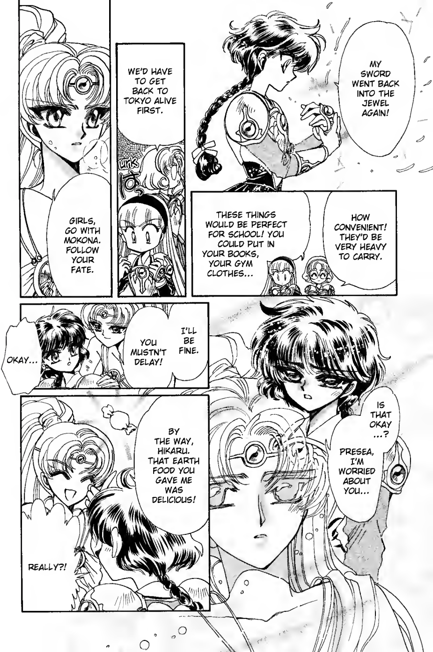

IN CEFIRO, EVERYTHING IS GOVERNED BY YOUR WILL...
THE STRENGTH OF YOUR WEAPONS... THE POWER OF YOUR MAGIC...
EVEN...
...THE TIDE OF *DESTINY* ITSELF.

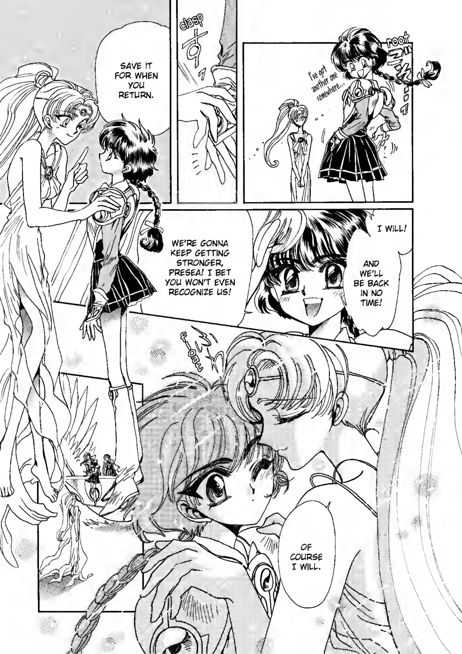

I'VE PUT EVERYTHING INTO YOUR WEAPONS...
...BECAUSE I BELIEVE IN YOUR DESTINY.
I WANT YOU TO BE STRONG...
...THAT'S WHY THEY'RE SPECIAL.
THANK YOU, PRESEA.
HIKARU...
UH-HUH?
SLIP
UMI...
FUU...
ギュ
clasp
...PROMISE ME YOU WON'T GIVE UP.

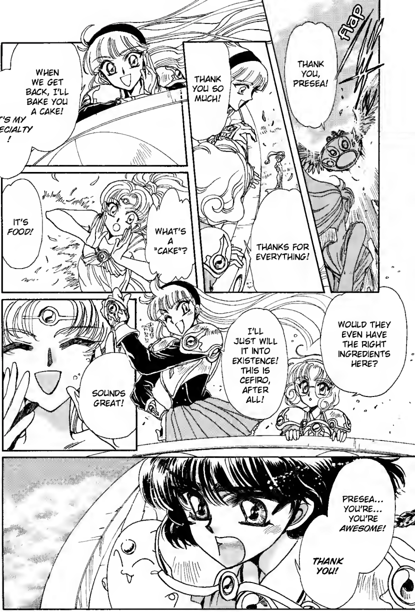

WE WON'T!
Puu!
VVVVVmmmm
blaze
vveeen

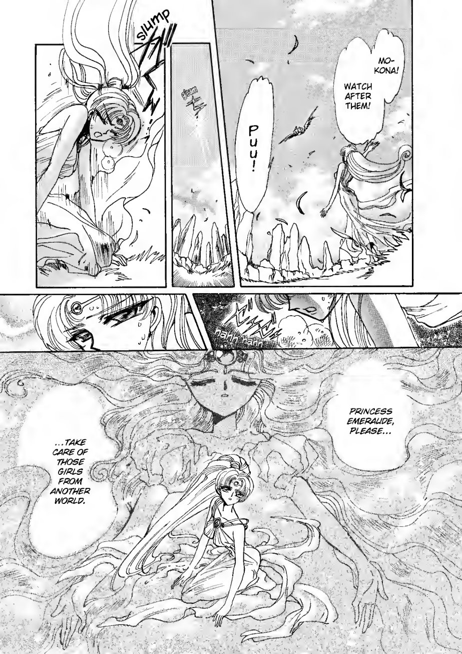

NO WAY!
puu! puu!
HE'S SAYING WE SHOULD FLY ON THAT THING!
UMI! YOU CAN UNDERSTAND MOKONA NOW?
amazing! すばらしいですわ♥
FLY ON IT? WOULD SHE KEEP COOL EVEN IF THE LITTLE FREAK ASKED US TO *EAT* IT?
Puu!
Puu!
THEN LISTEN.
HE SAYS WE'VE GOTTA GO NOW.
YOU MUST REVIVE THE *MASHIN* IN ORDER TO BECOME THE TRUE MAGIC KNIGHTS.
THOSE WEAPONS YOU NOW HOLD ARE THE KEY TO REALIZING YOUR GOAL...TO WAKE THOSE THAT SLEEP.

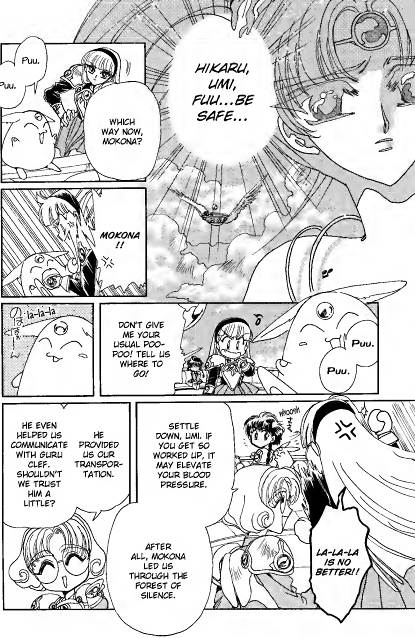

THE KEY...
...TO REVIVING THE *MASHIN*.
WHAT *ARE* THE *MASHIN*, PRESEA?
MOKONA WILL SHOW YOU.
まーかせ
trust me!
so proud
Puu!
Puu!
UGH, NOT AGAIN...
shine
Whshhh
whshhh
Shhpp

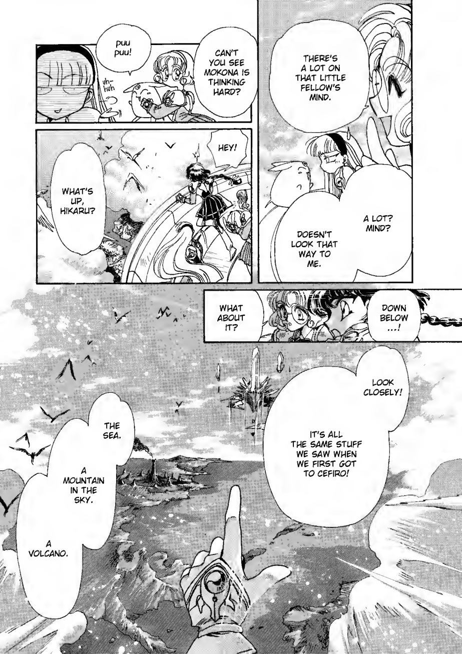

MY SWORD WENT BACK INTO THE JEWEL AGAIN!
HOW CONVENIENT! THEY'D BE VERY HEAVY TO CARRY.
THESE THINGS WOULD BE PERFECT FOR SCHOOL! YOU COULD PUT IN YOUR BOOKS, YOUR GYM CLOTHES...
WE'D HAVE TO GET BACK TO TOKYO ALIVE FIRST.
urk
GIRLS, GO WITH MOKONA. FOLLOW YOUR FATE.
IS THAT OKAY ...?
PRESEA, I'M WORRIED ABOUT YOU...
I'LL BE FINE.
YOU MUSTN'T DELAY!
OKAY...
BY THE WAY, HIKARU. THAT EARTH FOOD YOU GAVE ME WAS DELICIOUS!
REALLY?!

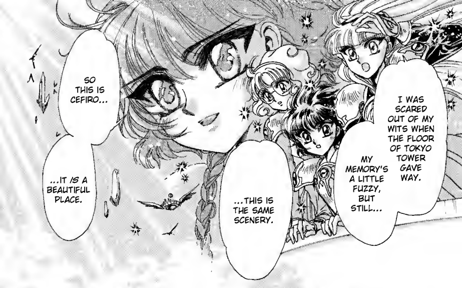

root
I've got another one somewhere...
clasp
SAVE IT FOR WHEN YOU RETURN.
I WILL!
AND WE'LL BE BACK IN NO TIME!
WE'RE GONNA KEEP GETTING STRONGER, PRESEA! I BET YOU WON'T EVEN RECOGNIZE US!
float
OF COURSE I WILL.

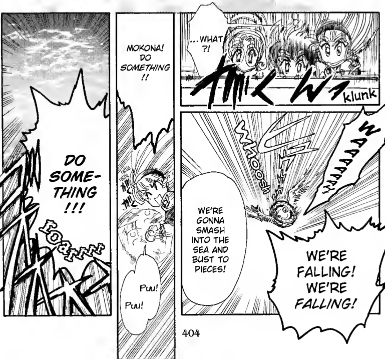

Flap
THANK YOU, PRESEA!
THANK YOU SO MUCH!
WHEN WE GET BACK, I'LL BAKE YOU A CAKE! IT'S MY SPECIALTY!
THANKS FOR EVERYTHING!
WHAT'S A "CAKE"?
IT'S FOOD!
WOULD THEY EVEN HAVE THE RIGHT INGREDIENTS HERE?
I'LL JUST WILL IT INTO EXISTENCE! THIS IS CEFIRO, AFTER ALL!
SOUNDS GREAT!
PRESEA... YOU'RE... YOU'RE AWESOME!
THANK YOU!

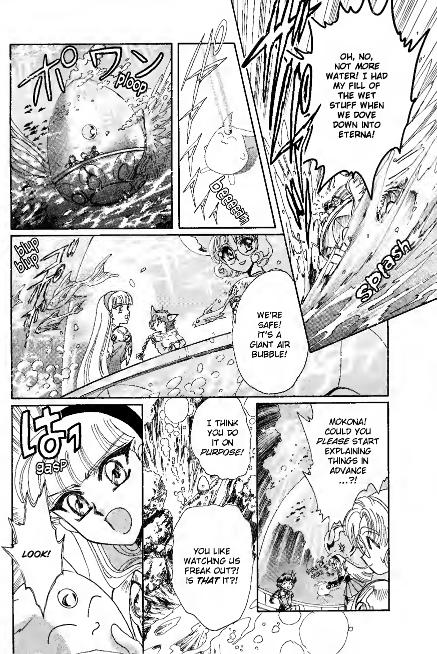

MO-KONA!
WATCH AFTER THEM!
Puu!
gleam
slump
hahh hahh
PRINCESS EMERAUDE, PLEASE...
...TAKE CARE OF THOSE GIRLS FROM ANOTHER WORLD.

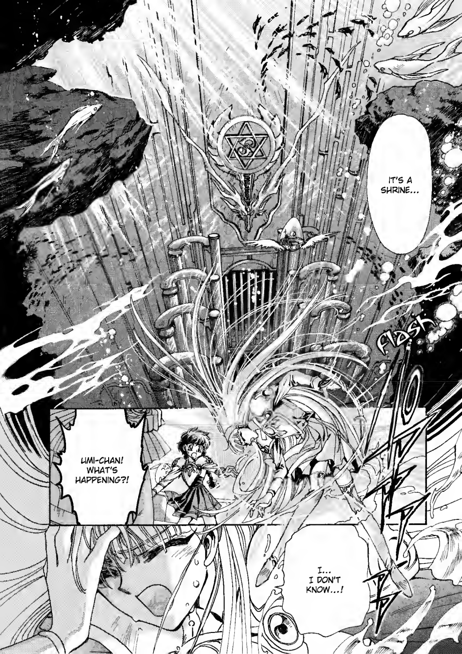

HIKARU, UMI, FUU...BE SAFE...
Puu.
Puu.
WHICH WAY NOW, MOKONA?
MOKONA!!
Puu.
Puu.
DON'T GIVE ME YOUR USUAL POO-POO! TELL US WHERE TO GO!
のほほぉ〜ん
la-la-la
LA-LA-LA IS NO BETTER!!
whoosh
SETTLE DOWN, UMI. IF YOU GET SO WORKED UP, IT MAY ELEVATE YOUR BLOOD PRESSURE.
AFTER ALL, MOKONA LED US THROUGH THE FOREST OF SILENCE.
HE PROVIDED US OUR TRANSPORTATION.
HE EVEN HELPED US COMMUNICATE WITH GURU CLEF. SHOULDN'T WE TRUST HIM A LITTLE?

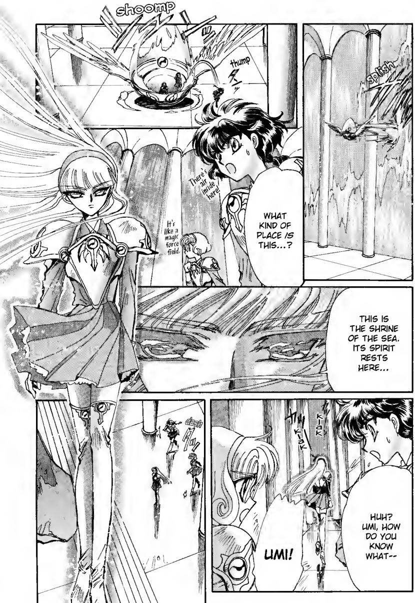

puu puu!
uh-huh
CAN'T YOU SEE MOKONA IS THINKING HARD?
THERE'S A LOT ON THAT LITTLE FELLOW'S MIND.
A LOT? MIND?
DOESN'T LOOK THAT WAY TO ME.
HEY!
WHAT'S UP, HIKARU?
DOWN BELOW ...!
WHAT ABOUT IT?
LOOK CLOSELY!
IT'S ALL THE SAME STUFF WE SAW WHEN WE FIRST GOT TO CEFIRO!
THE SEA.
A MOUNTAIN IN THE SKY.
A VOLCANO.

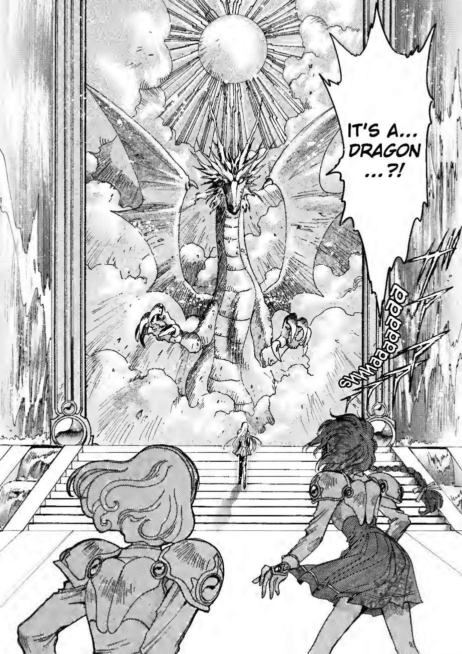

I WAS SCARED OUT OF MY WITS WHEN THE FLOOR OF TOKYO TOWER GAVE WAY.
MY MEMORY'S A LITTLE FUZZY, BUT STILL...
...THIS IS THE SAME SCENERY.
SO THIS IS CEFIRO...
...IT *IS* A BEAUTIFUL PLACE.

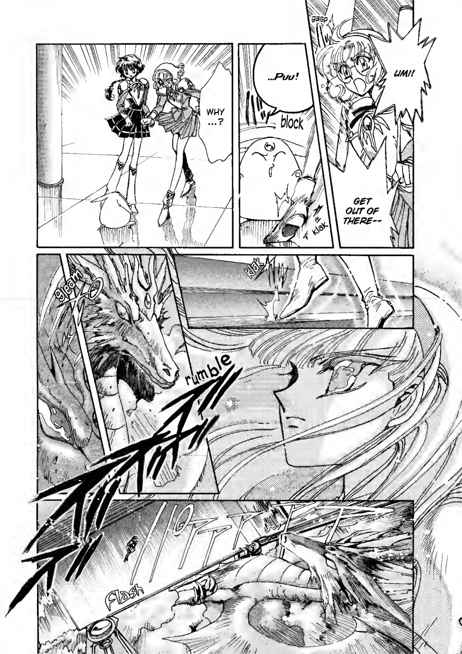

...WHAT ?!
klunk
WAAAAAAA
whoosh
WE'RE FALLING! WE'RE *FALLING!*
WE'RE GONNA SMASH INTO THE SEA AND BUST TO PIECES!
MOKONA! DO SOMETHING !!
rattle rattle
Puu!
Puu!
DO SOME-THING !!!
roarrr

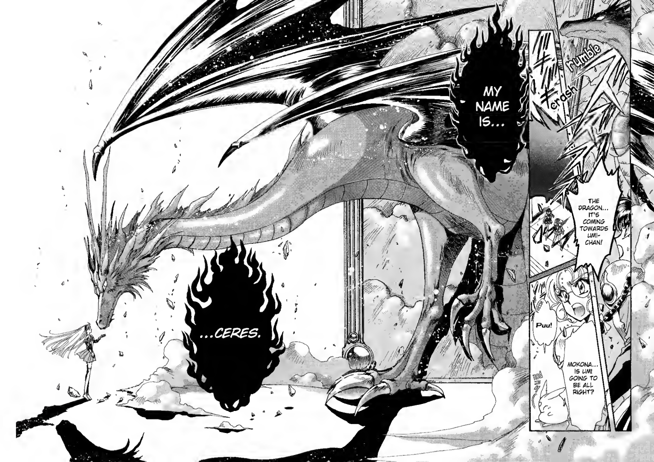

OH, NO, NOT *MORE* WATER! I HAD MY FILL OF THE WET STUFF WHEN WE DOVE DOWN INTO ETERNA!
splash
beeeeam
ポワン
ploop
blup blup
WE'RE SAFE! IT'S A GIANT AIR BUBBLE!
MOKONA! COULD YOU *PLEASE* START EXPLAINING THINGS IN ADVANCE ...?!
shake shake
I THINK YOU DO IT ON *PURPOSE!*
YOU LIKE WATCHING US FREAK OUT?! IS *THAT* IT?!
はっ
gasp
LOOK!

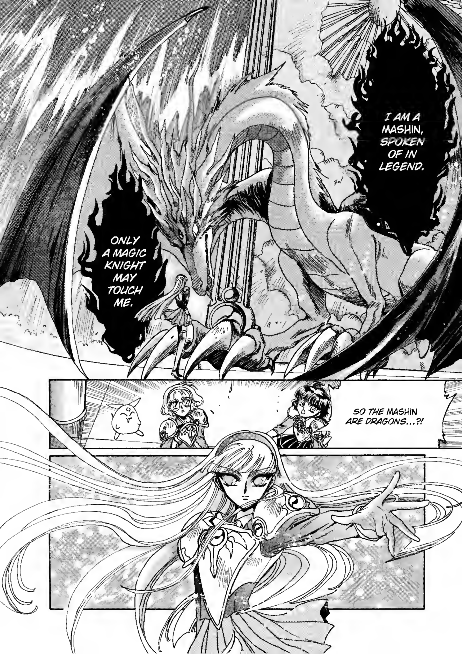

IT'S A SHRINE...
Flash
UMI-CHAN! WHAT'S HAPPENING?!
I... I DON'T KNOW...!

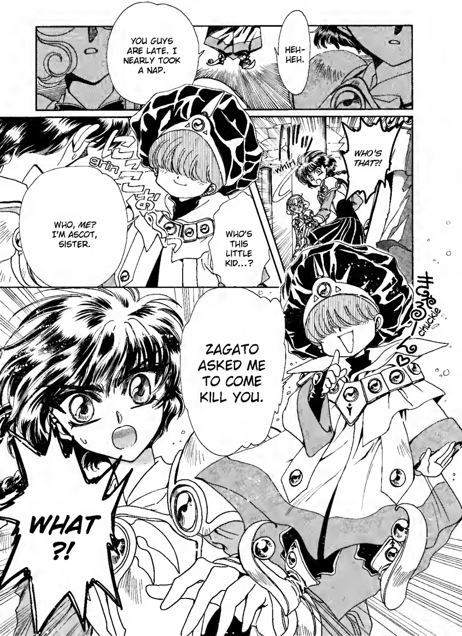

splish
shoomp
thump
WHAT KIND OF PLACE IS THIS...?
There's air inside here!
It's like a magic force field.
THIS IS THE SHRINE OF THE SEA. ITS SPIRIT RESTS HERE...
HUH? UMI, HOW DO YOU KNOW WHAT--
klak klak
UMI!
dash

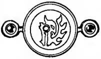

IT'S A... DRAGON ...?!
Shwaaaaaa

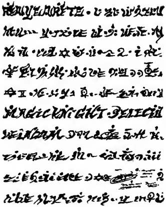

gasp
UMI!
GET OUT OF THERE--
...Puu!
block
klak
WHY ...?
klak
gleam
rumble
Flash


rumble
crash
THE DRAGON... IT'S COMING TOWARDS UMI-CHAN!
rattle
Puu!
MOKONA... IS UMI GOING TO BE ALL RIGHT?
nod
MY NAME IS...
...CERES.


I AM A MASHIN, SPOKEN OF IN LEGEND.
ONLY A MAGIC KNIGHT MAY TOUCH ME.
SO THE MASHIN ARE DRAGONS...?!


HEH-HEH.
YOU GUYS ARE LATE. I NEARLY TOOK A NAP.
WHO'S THAT?!
whirl
grin
WHO'S THIS LITTLE KID...?
WHO, *ME*? I'M ASCOT, SISTER.
chuckle
ZAGATO ASKED ME TO COME KILL YOU.
WHAT?!

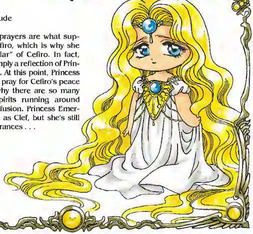




MAGIC KNIGHT RAYEARTH CHARACTER PROFILES

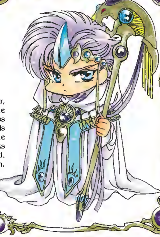
NAME: Princess Emeraude

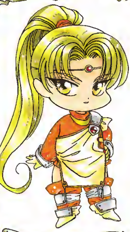
Princess Emeraude's prayers are what supports the world of Cefiro, which is why she is also called the "Pillar" of Cefiro. In fact, Cefiro's condition is simply a reflection of Princess Emeraude's heart. At this point, Princess Emeraude isn't able to pray for Cefiro's peace and safety, which is why there are so many monsters and evil spirits running around causing strife and confusion. Princess Emeraude isn't quite as old as Clef, but she's still ancient, despite appearances . . .



NAME: Guru Clef
FAVORITE THING: Silence
LEAST FAVORITE THING: Loudness
HOBBIES: Strolling about, talking to his "pets"

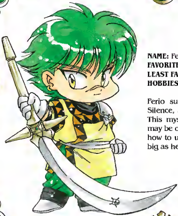
Guru Clef is Cefiro's mightiest sorcerer, and ready to teach magic to those with the potential to use it. He promised Princess Emeraude that he would guide the girls summoned from another world to become the Magic Knights. Even though he looks like a little kid, Guru Clef is 745 years old. Short in size, he has the temper of a titan.





NAME: Presea
FAVORITE THING: VTEC (a food found in Cefiro)
LEAST FAVORITE THING: A messy room
HOBBIES: Punishment

In Cefiro, weapons are made by artisans, and that includes both weapons for battle and for sport. The chief artisan of Cefiro is Presea—the only person capable of forging weapons from the legendary mineral *escudo*. Presea does not always listen to the other party in a conversation, and has a tendency to go off into her own little realm of fantasy role-playing.



NAME: Ferio
FAVORITE THING: Sleep
LEAST FAVORITE THING: Not enough sleep
HOBBIES: Napping

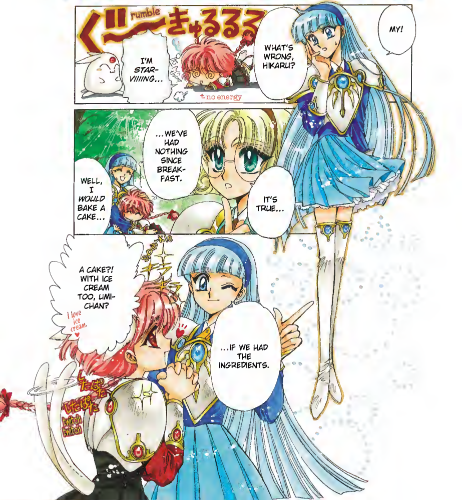
Ferio suddenly appeared in the Forest of Silence, and we don't quite know who he is. This mysterious boy—this being Cefiro, he may be older than he looks—definitely knows how to use a sword, even if that sword is as big as he is.

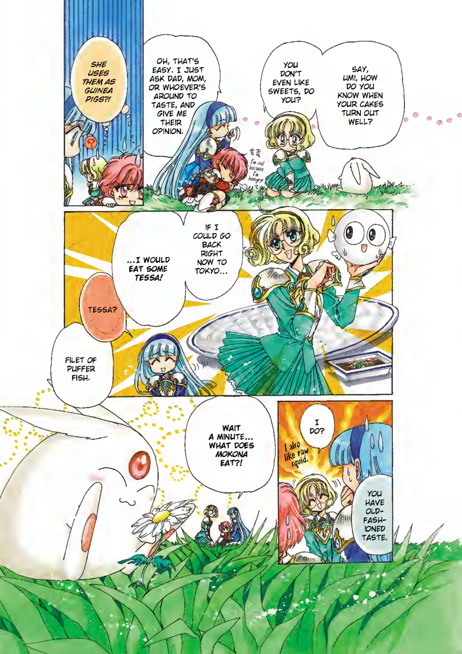
MAGIC KNIGHT RAYEARTH CHARACTER PROFILES

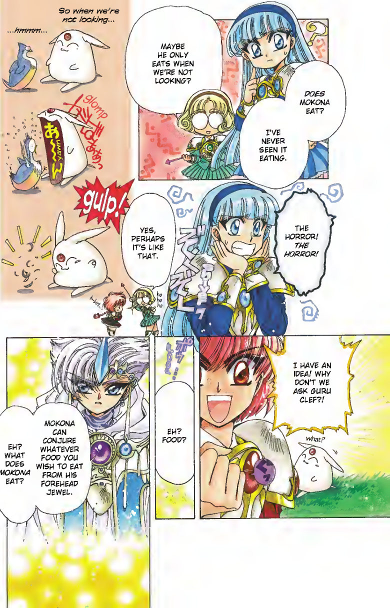
BONUS STAGE 2

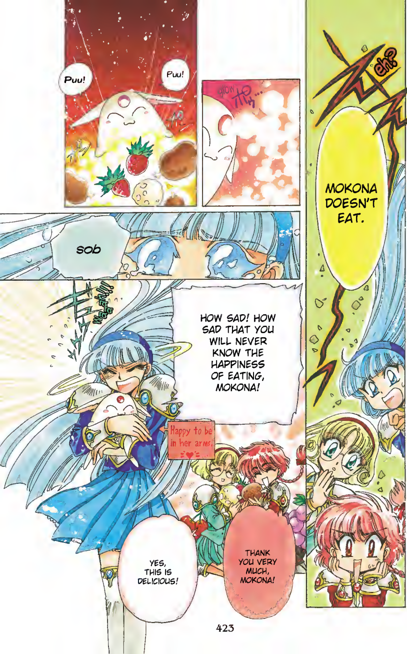
The Secrets of Mokona

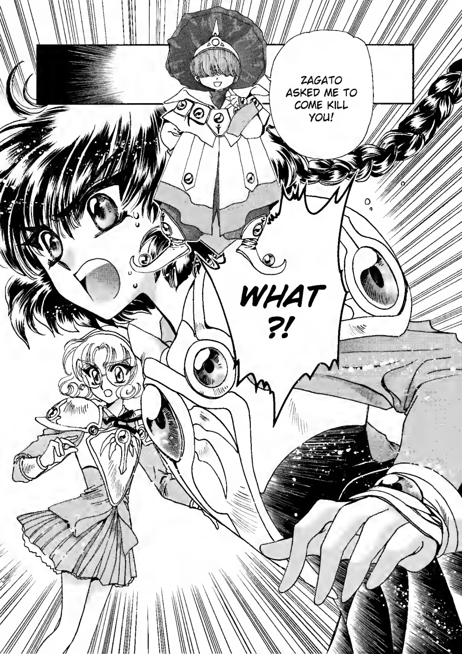
Q: What did Hikaru, Umi, and Fuu eat in Cefiro?

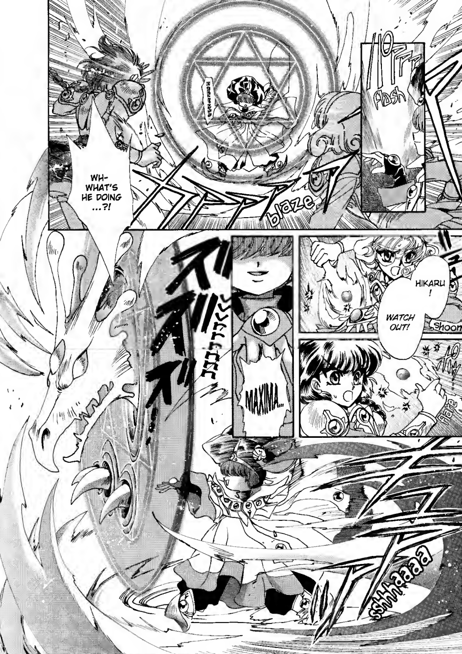

MY!
WHAT'S WRONG, HIKARU?
ぐー きゅるるる
rumble
I'M STARVIIIING...
no energy
IT'S TRUE...
...WE'VE HAD NOTHING SINCE BREAKFAST.
WELL, I WOULD BAKE A CAKE...
...IF WE HAD THE INGREDIENTS.
キラキラ
sparkle
A CAKE?! WITH ICE CREAM TOO, UMI-CHAN?
I love ice cream.
じたばた じたばた
twitch twitch

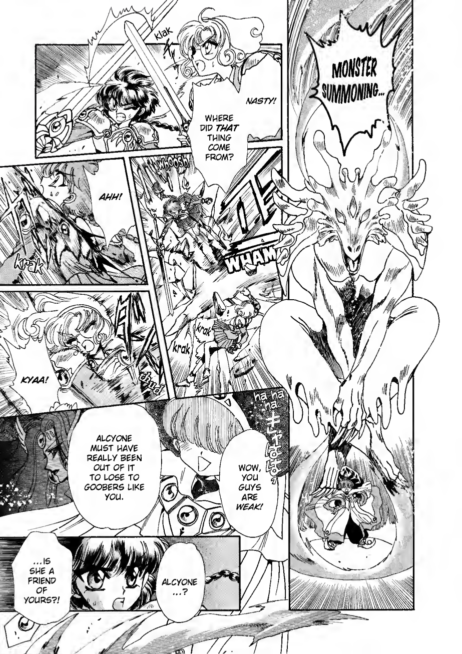

SAY, UMI, HOW DO YOU KNOW WHEN YOUR CAKES TURN OUT WELL?
YOU DON'T EVEN LIKE SWEETS, DO YOU?
OH, THAT'S EASY. I JUST ASK DAD, MOM, OR WHOEVER'S AROUND TO TASTE, AND GIVE ME THEIR OPINION.
I'm sad because I'm hungry
SHE USES THEM AS GUINEA PIGS?!
IF I COULD GO BACK RIGHT NOW TO TOKYO...
...I WOULD EAT SOME TESSA!
TESSA?
FILET OF PUFFER FISH.
I DO?
I also like raw squid.
YOU HAVE OLD-FASHIONED TASTE.
WAIT A MINUTE... WHAT DOES MOKONA EAT?!

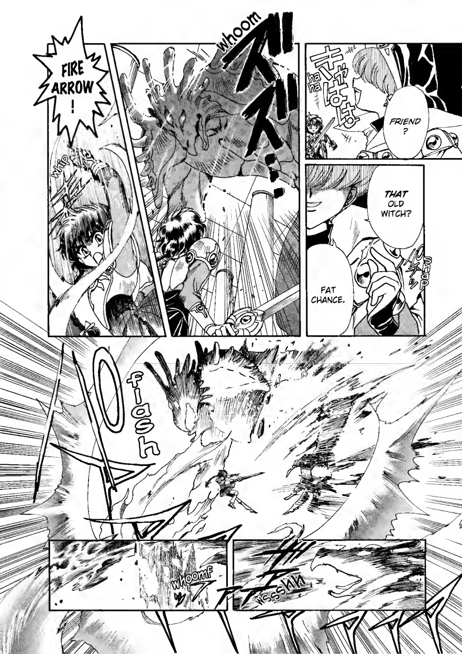

DOES MOKONA EAT?
I'VE NEVER SEEN IT EATING.
MAYBE HE ONLY EATS WHEN WE'RE NOT LOOKING?
THE HORROR! *THE HORROR!*
YES, PERHAPS IT'S LIKE THAT.
ho ho ho
So when we're not looking...
...hmmm...
glomp
あ〜ん
yawn
gulp!
I HAVE AN IDEA! WHY DON'T WE ASK GURU CLEF?!
what?
EH? WHAT DOES *MOKONA* EAT?
MOKONA CAN CONJURE WHATEVER FOOD YOU WISH TO EAT FROM HIS FOREHEAD JEWEL.
EH? FOOD?

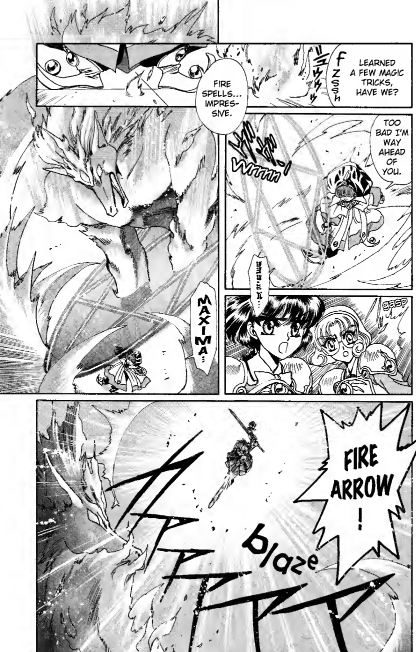

eh?
MOKONA DOESN'T EAT.
glow
Puu!
Puu!
sob
Waaah!!!
HOW SAD! HOW SAD THAT YOU WILL NEVER KNOW THE HAPPINESS OF EATING, MOKONA!
Happy to be in her arms
THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MOKONA!
YES, THIS IS DELICIOUS!

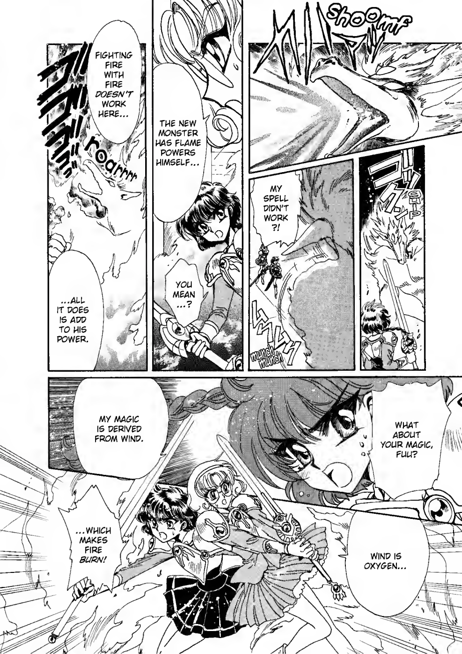

ZAGATO ASKED ME TO COME KILL YOU!
WHAT ?!

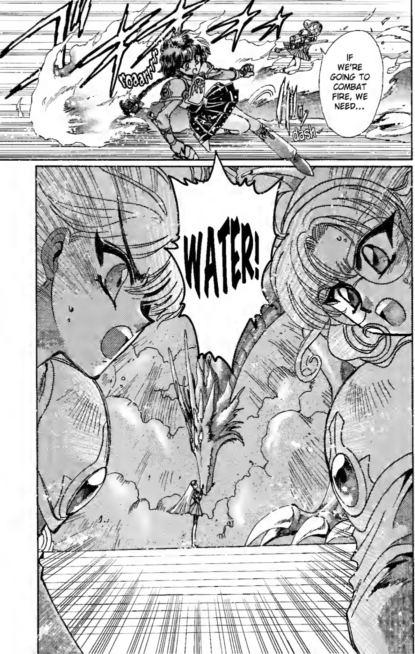

flash
blaze
WH-WHAT'S HE DOING ...?!
HIKARU!
WATCH OUT!
shoom
flare
vrrrnnn
MAXIMA...
sshhaaaa

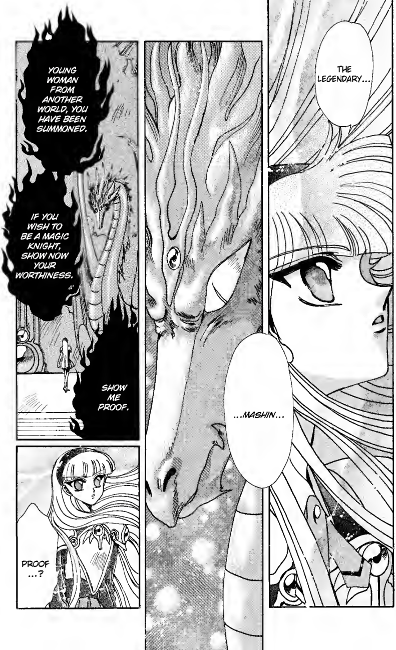

MONSTER SUMMONING...
klak
NASTY!
WHERE DID *THAT* THING COME FROM?
whoosh
WHAM
AHH!
krak
krak
krak
thud
KYAA!
ha ha ha
きゃはは
WOW, YOU GUYS ARE *WEAK!*
ALCYONE MUST HAVE REALLY BEEN OUT OF IT TO LOSE TO GOOBERS LIKE YOU.
ALCYONE ...?
...IS SHE A FRIEND OF YOURS?!

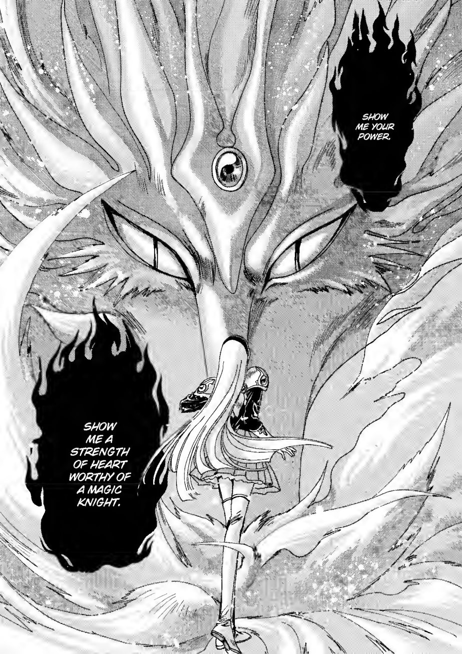

キャははは
ha ha
FRIEND ?
THAT OLD WITCH?
snap
FAT CHANCE.
whoom
FIRE ARROW !
whip
flash
wsssh
whoomf

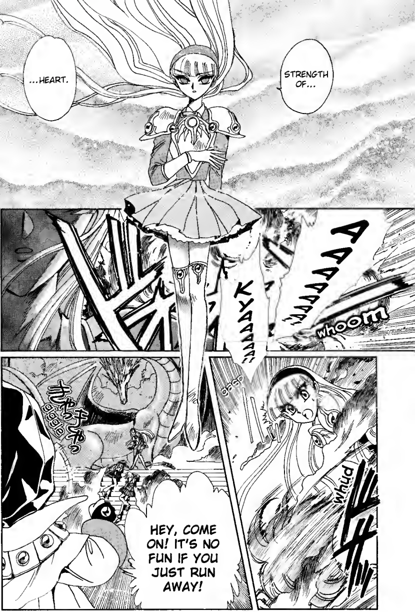

LEARNED A FEW MAGIC TRICKS, HAVE WE?
ジュウウウ
fzssh
FIRE SPELLS... IMPRES-SIVE.
TOO BAD I'M WAY AHEAD OF YOU.
Wrrrnn!
gasp
MAXIMA!!
FIRE ARROW!
blaze

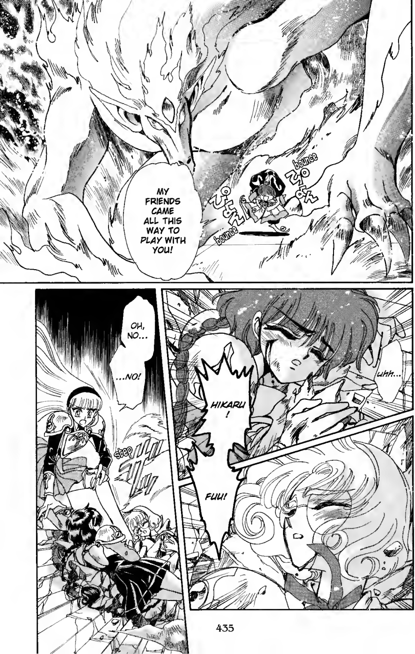

Shoomf
gulp
MY SPELL DIDN'T WORK?!
munch munch
THE NEW MONSTER HAS FLAME POWERS HIMSELF...
YOU MEAN...?
FIGHTING FIRE WITH FIRE *DOESN'T* WORK HERE...
roarrr
...ALL IT DOES IS ADD TO HIS POWER.
WHAT ABOUT YOUR MAGIC, FUU?
MY MAGIC IS DERIVED FROM WIND.
WIND IS OXYGEN...
...WHICH MAKES FIRE *BURN!*

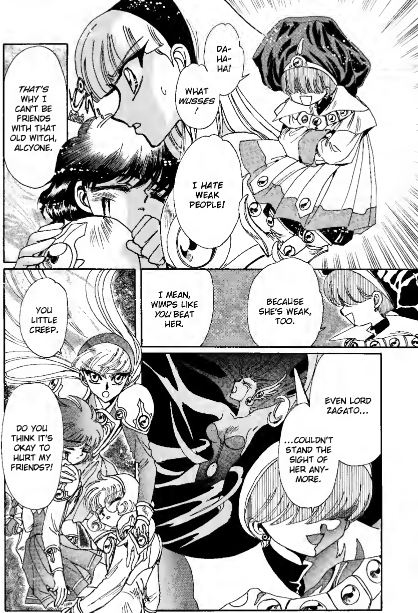

roaarrrr
dash
IF WE'RE GOING TO COMBAT FIRE, WE NEED...
WATER!

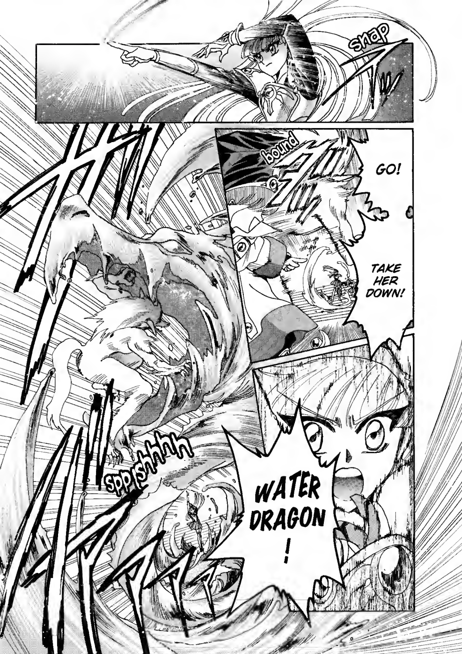

YOUNG WOMAN FROM ANOTHER WORLD, YOU HAVE BEEN SUMMONED.
IF YOU WISH TO BE A MAGIC KNIGHT, SHOW NOW YOUR WORTHINESS.
SHOW ME PROOF.
PROOF ...?
THE LEGENDARY...
...MASHIN...

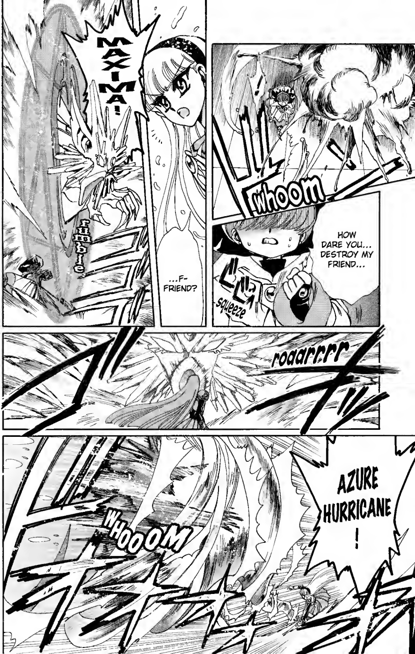

SHOW ME YOUR POWER.
SHOW ME A STRENGTH OF HEART WORTHY OF A MAGIC KNIGHT.

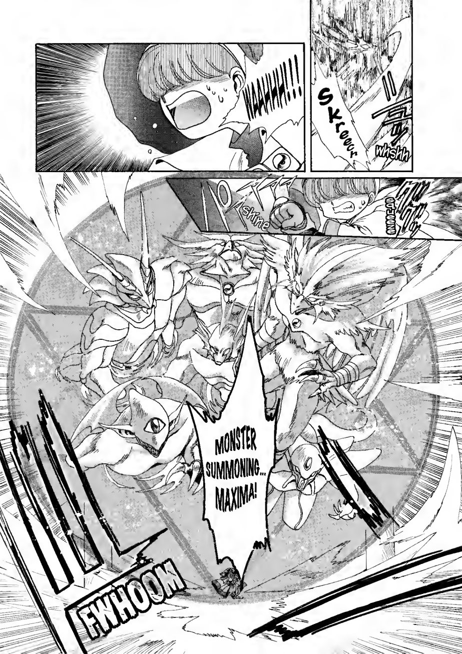

STRENGTH OF...
...HEART.
AAAAAAAA!!
whoom
KYAAAAAAA!!
gasp
whud
きゃキャっ
giggle
HEY, COME ON! IT'S NO FUN IF YOU JUST RUN AWAY!

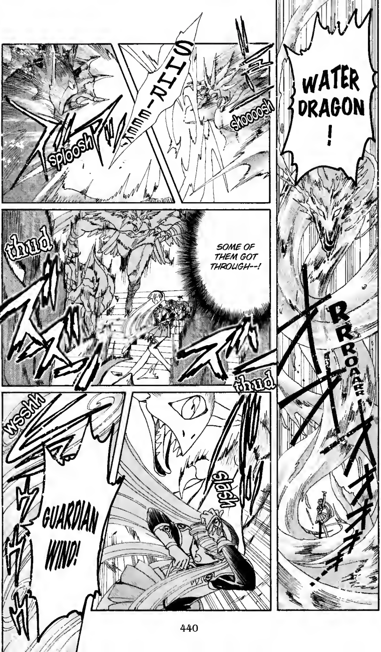

MY FRIENDS CAME ALL THIS WAY TO PLAY WITH YOU!
bounce
bounce
uhh...
HIKARU!
FUU!
OH, NO...
...NO!
step

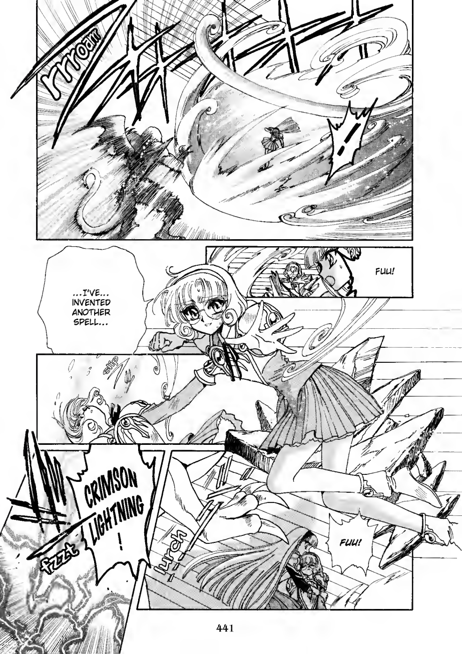

DA-HA-HA!
WHAT *WUSSES*!
I HATE WEAK PEOPLE!
Switch
THAT'S WHY I CAN'T BE FRIENDS WITH THAT OLD WITCH, ALCYONE.
BECAUSE SHE'S WEAK, TOO.
I MEAN, WIMPS LIKE *YOU* BEAT HER.
EVEN LORD ZAGATO...
...COULDN'T STAND THE SIGHT OF HER ANYMORE.
YOU LITTLE CREEP.
DO YOU THINK IT'S OKAY TO HURT MY FRIENDS?!

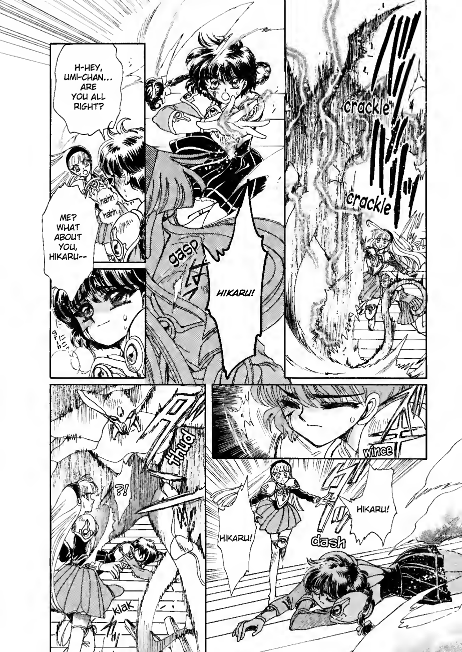

snap
GO!
bound
TAKE HER DOWN!
shh shh
WATER DRAGON!
spp shhhh

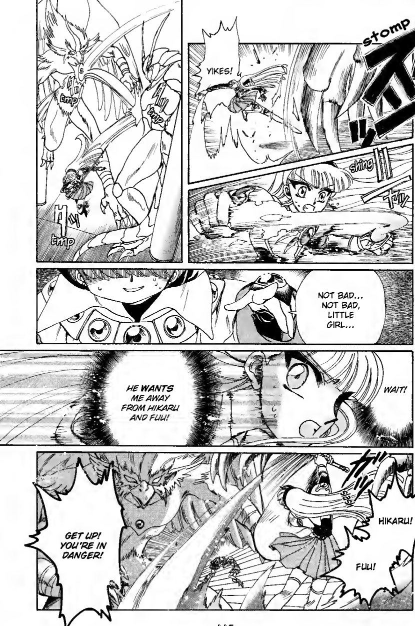

whoom
HOW DARE YOU... DESTROY MY FRIEND...
squeeze
MAXIMA!
...F-FRIEND?
rumble
roaarrrr
AZURE HURRICANE!
WHOOOM

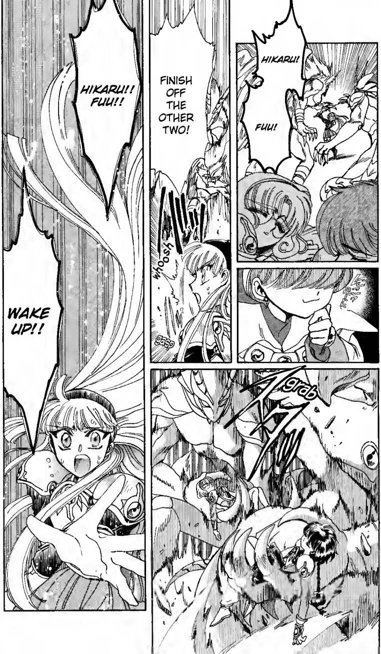

Skreecr
whshh
WAAHHH!!!
squeeze
skine
MONSTER SUMMONING... MAXIMA!
FWHOOM

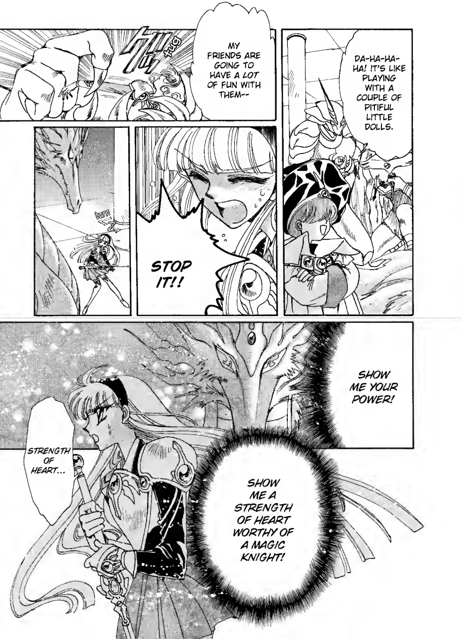

WATER DRAGON!
RRROAARR
shoooosh
SHHREEEE
sploosh
SOME OF THEM GOT THROUGH--!
thud
thud
slash
GUARDIAN WIND!
wsshh

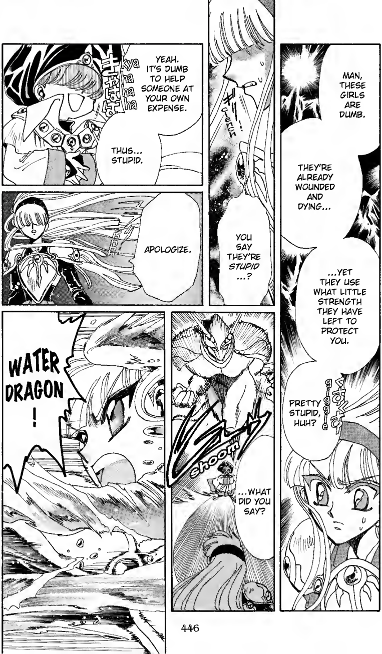

rrroarr
!
FUU!
...I'VE... INVENTED ANOTHER SPELL...
slip
FUU!
lurch
CRIMSON LIGHTNING !
fzzzt

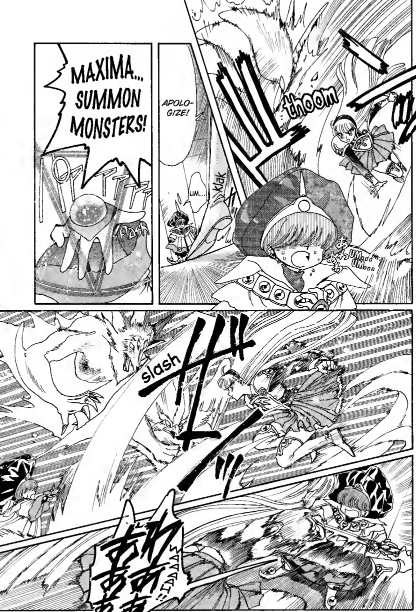

H-HEY, UMI-CHAN... ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
hahh
hahh
ME? WHAT ABOUT YOU, HIKARU--
grin
crackle
crackle
?!
gasp
HIKARU!
wince
thud
?!
klak
HIKARU!
dash
HIKARU!

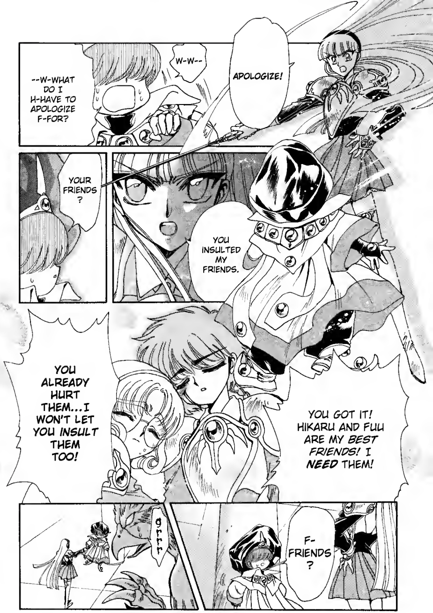

stomp
YIKES!
shing
tmp
tmp
tmp
NOT BAD... NOT BAD, LITTLE GIRL...
WAIT!
HE WANTS ME AWAY FROM HIKARU AND FUU!
HIKARU!
FUU!
GET UP! YOU'RE IN DANGER!

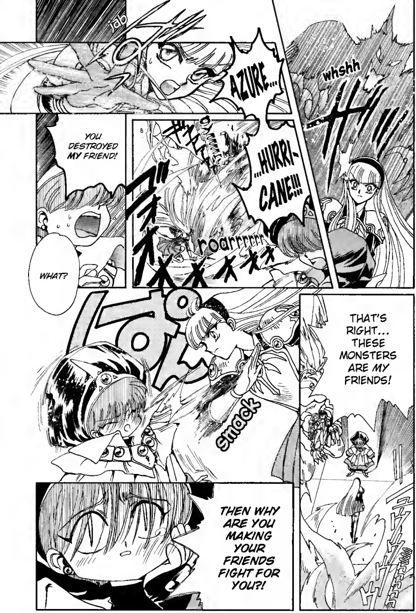

HIKARU!
FUU!
FINISH OFF THE OTHER TWO!
whoosh
gasp
ピコッ
grab
HIKARU!! FUU!!
WAKE UP!!

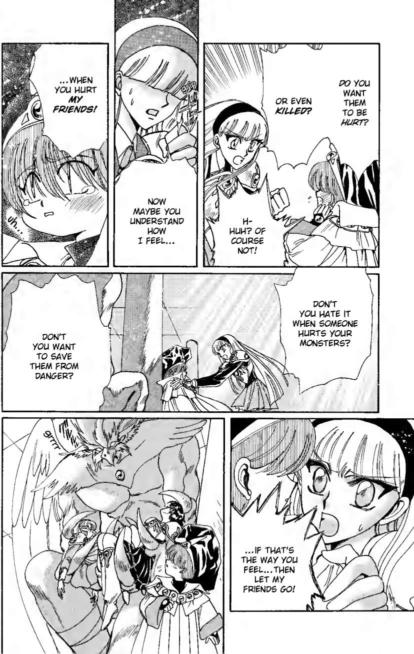

MY FRIENDS ARE GOING TO HAVE A *LOT* OF FUN WITH THEM--
tug
turn
STOP IT!!
DA-HA-HA-HA! IT'S LIKE PLAYING WITH A COUPLE OF PITIFUL LITTLE DOLLS.
STRENGTH OF HEART...
SHOW ME YOUR POWER!
SHOW ME A STRENGTH OF HEART WORTHY OF A MAGIC KNIGHT!

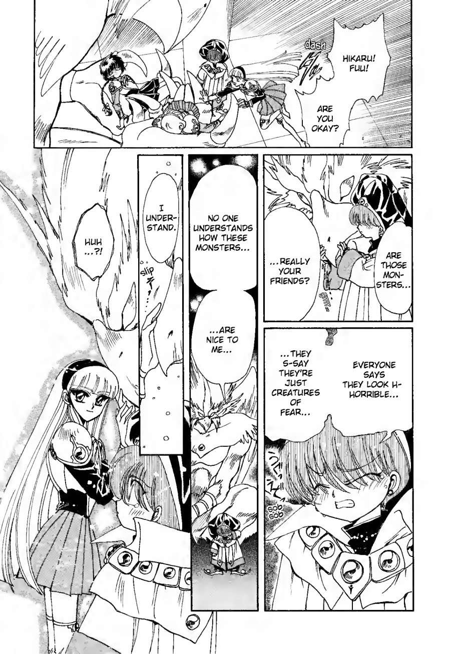

MAN, THESE GIRLS ARE DUMB.
THEY'RE ALREADY WOUNDED AND DYING...
...YET THEY USE WHAT LITTLE STRENGTH THEY HAVE LEFT TO PROTECT YOU.
giggle
PRETTY STUPID, HUH?
clench
YOU SAY THEY'RE *STUPID*...?
kya ha ha ha
YEAH. IT'S DUMB TO HELP SOMEONE AT YOUR OWN EXPENSE.
THUS... STUPID.
APOLOGIZE.
shoom
...WHAT DID YOU SAY?
WATER DRAGON!

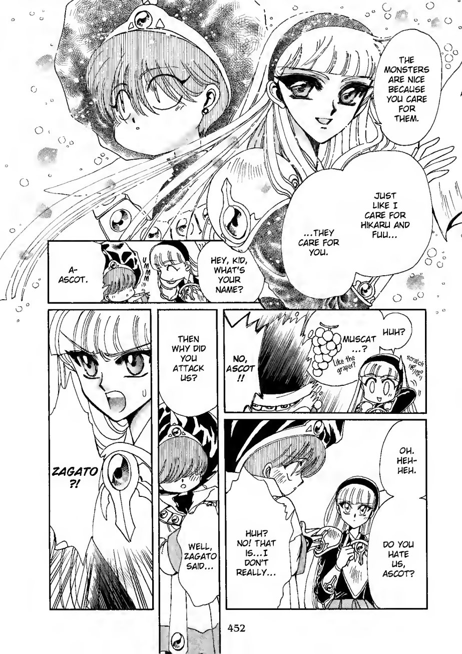

thoom
あわあわ
UM... UM...
Klak
UM...
APOLO-GIZE!
MAXIMA... SUMMON MONSTERS!
flash
slash
わあああ
あああああ
WAAAAAH!!

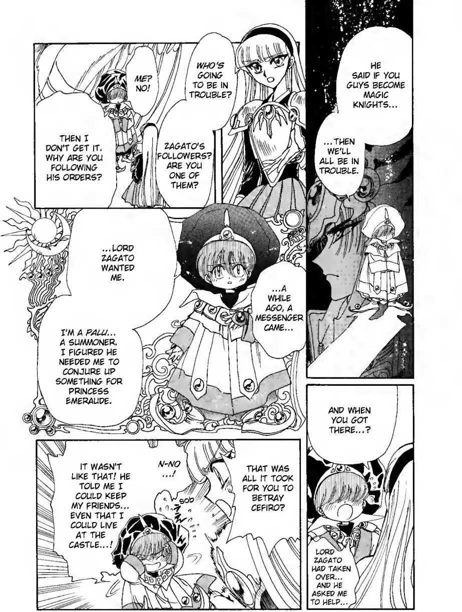

APOLOGIZE!
W-W--
--W-WHAT DO I H-HAVE TO APOLOGIZE F-FOR?
YOU INSULTED MY FRIENDS.
YOUR FRIENDS?
YOU GOT IT! HIKARU AND FUU ARE MY *BEST FRIENDS!* I **NEED** THEM!
YOU ALREADY HURT THEM...I WON'T LET *YOU INSULT* THEM TOO!
F-FRIENDS?
grrr

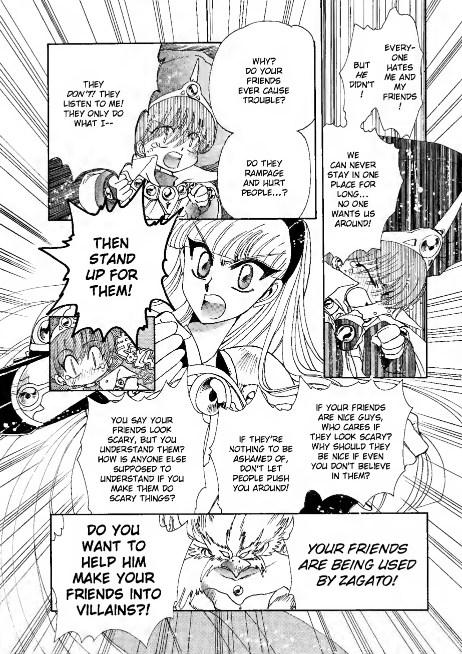

whshh
jab
AZURE...
...HURRI-CANE!!!
roarrrrrr
YOU DESTROYED MY FRIEND!
WHAT?
ぱん
smack
THAT'S RIGHT... THESE MONSTERS ARE MY FRIENDS!
THEN WHY ARE YOU MAKING YOUR FRIENDS FIGHT FOR YOU?!

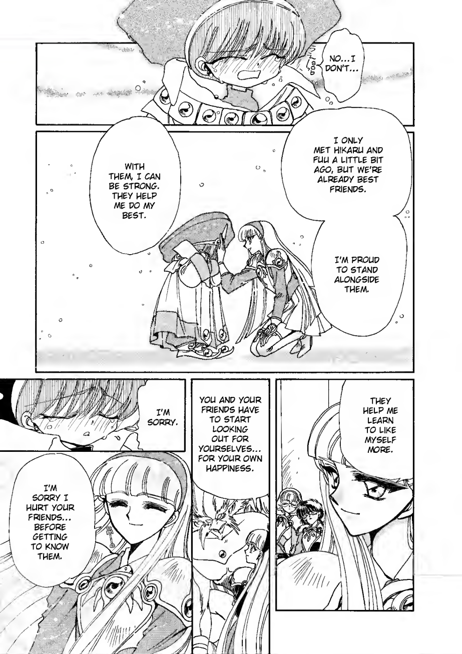

DO YOU WANT THEM TO BE *HURT?*
OR EVEN *KILLED?*
H-HUH? OF COURSE NOT!
grip
NOW MAYBE YOU UNDERSTAND HOW I FEEL...
...WHEN YOU HURT ***MY FRIENDS!***
uh...
DON'T YOU HATE IT WHEN SOMEONE HURTS YOUR MONSTERS?
DON'T YOU WANT TO SAVE THEM FROM DANGER?
...IF THAT'S THE WAY YOU FEEL...THEN LET MY FRIENDS GO!
grrrr

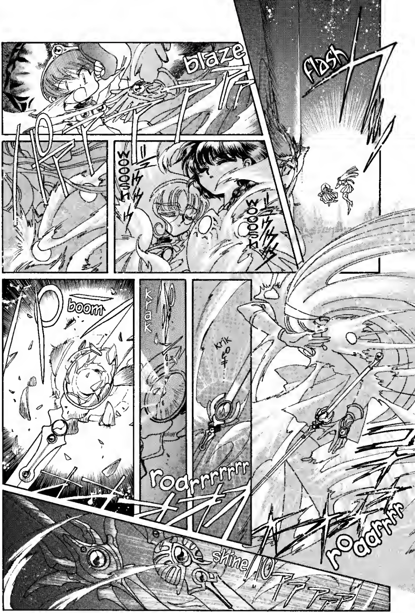

dash
HIKARU! FUU!
ARE YOU OKAY?
ARE THOSE MONSTERS...
...REALLY YOUR FRIENDS?
grrr..
EVERYONE SAYS THEY LOOK H-HORRIBLE...
...THEY S-SAY THEY'RE JUST CREATURES OF FEAR...
うぇっ
えん!!
sob sob
NO ONE UNDERSTANDS HOW THESE MONSTERS...
...ARE NICE TO ME...
I UNDERSTAND.
slip
HUH...?!

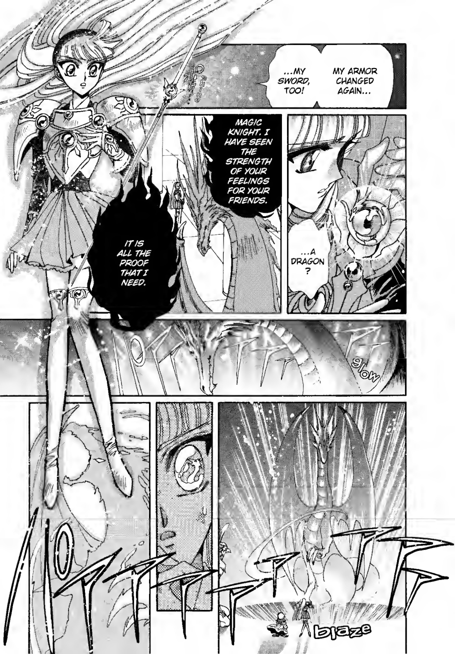

THE MONSTERS ARE NICE BECAUSE YOU CARE FOR THEM.
JUST LIKE I CARE FOR HIKARU AND FUU...
...THEY CARE FOR YOU.
HEY, KID, WHAT'S YOUR NAME?
UMMM
A-ASCOT.
HUH?
MUSCAT...?
Like the grapes?
scratch
NO, ASCOT!!
OH. HEH-HEH.
DO YOU HATE US, ASCOT?
HUH? NO! THAT IS...I DON'T REALLY...
THEN WHY DID YOU ATTACK US?
WELL, ZAGATO SAID...
ZAGATO?!

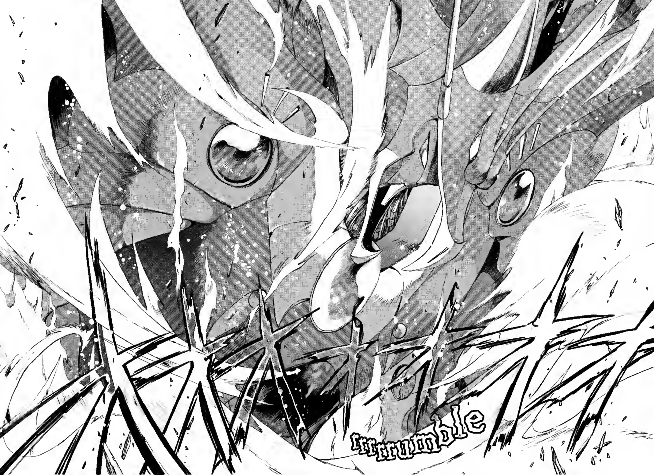

HE SAID IF YOU GUYS BECOME MAGIC KNIGHTS...
...THEN WE'LL ALL BE IN TROUBLE.
WHO'S GOING TO BE IN TROUBLE?
ME? NO!
ZAGATO'S FOLLOWERS? ARE YOU ONE OF THEM?
THEN I DON'T GET IT. WHY ARE YOU FOLLOWING HIS ORDERS?
...A WHILE AGO, A MESSENGER CAME...
...LORD ZAGATO WANTED ME.
I'M A *PALU*... A SUMMONER. I FIGURED HE NEEDED ME TO CONJURE UP SOMETHING FOR PRINCESS EMERAUDE.
AND WHEN YOU GOT THERE...?
LORD ZAGATO HAD TAKEN OVER... AND HE ASKED ME TO HELP...
THAT WAS ALL IT TOOK FOR YOU TO BETRAY CEFIRO?
N-NO ...!
SOB
IT WASN'T LIKE THAT! HE TOLD ME I COULD KEEP MY FRIENDS... EVEN THAT I COULD LIVE AT THE CASTLE...!

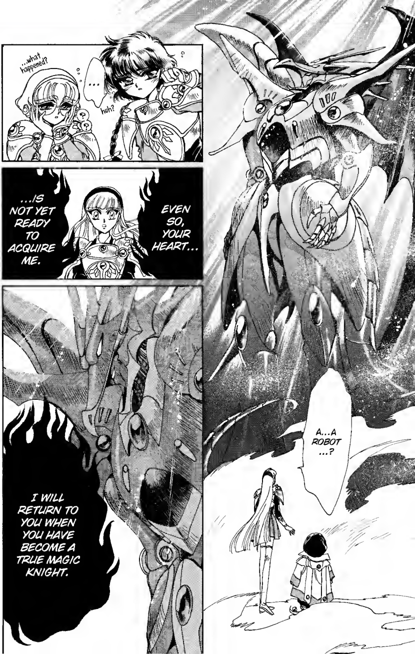

EVERY-ONE HATES ME AND MY FRIENDS!
BUT *HE* DIDN'T!
WE CAN NEVER STAY IN ONE PLACE FOR LONG... NO ONE WANTS US AROUND!
WHY? DO YOUR FRIENDS EVER CAUSE TROUBLE?
DO THEY RAMPAGE AND HURT PEOPLE...?
THEY *DON'T!* THEY LISTEN TO ME! THEY ONLY DO WHAT I--
THEN STAND UP FOR THEM!
IF YOUR FRIENDS ARE NICE GUYS, WHO CARES IF THEY LOOK SCARY? WHY SHOULD THEY BE NICE IF EVEN YOU DON'T BELIEVE IN THEM?
IF THEY'RE NOTHING TO BE ASHAMED OF, DON'T LET PEOPLE PUSH YOU AROUND!
YOU SAY YOUR FRIENDS LOOK SCARY, BUT YOU UNDERSTAND THEM? HOW IS ANYONE ELSE SUPPOSED TO UNDERSTAND IF YOU MAKE THEM DO SCARY THINGS?
YOUR FRIENDS ARE BEING USED BY ZAGATO!
DO YOU WANT TO HELP HIM MAKE YOUR FRIENDS INTO VILLAINS?!

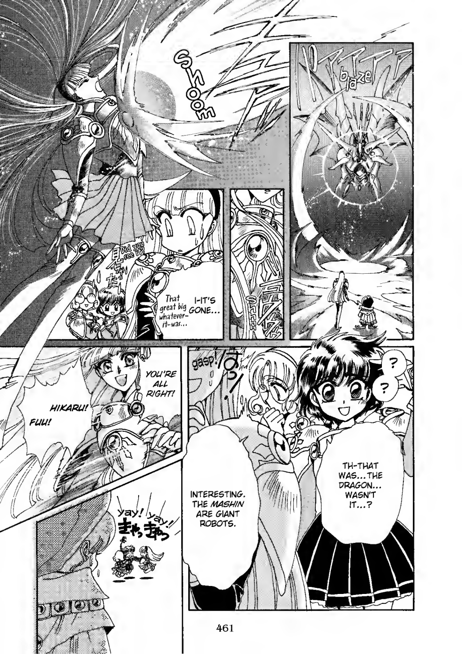

SOB
NO... I DON'T...
I ONLY MET HIKARU AND FUU A LITTLE BIT AGO, BUT WE'RE ALREADY BEST FRIENDS.
I'M PROUD TO STAND ALONGSIDE THEM.
WITH THEM, I CAN BE STRONG. THEY HELP ME DO MY BEST.
THEY HELP ME LEARN TO LIKE MYSELF MORE.
YOU AND YOUR FRIENDS HAVE TO START LOOKING OUT FOR YOURSELVES... FOR YOUR OWN HAPPINESS.
I'M SORRY.
I'M SORRY I HURT YOUR FRIENDS... BEFORE GETTING TO KNOW THEM.

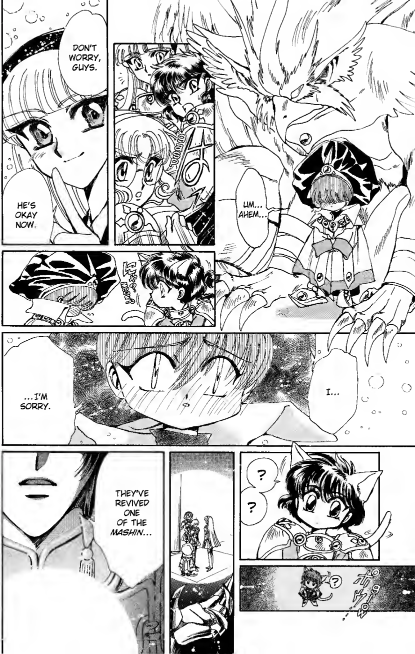

flash
blaze
wooosh
wooosh
roarrrr
krik
krak
boom
roarrrrrr
shine

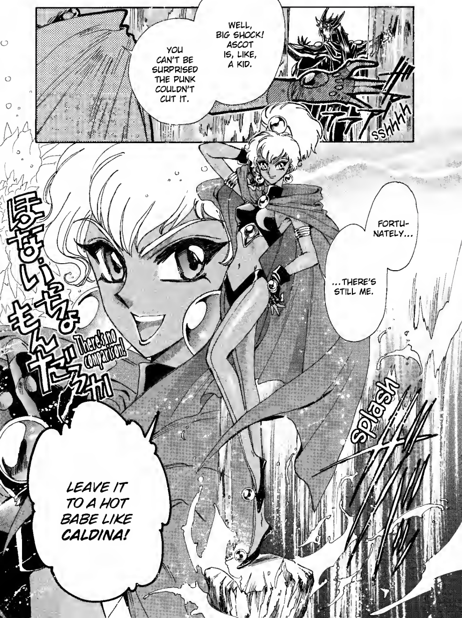

MY ARMOR CHANGED AGAIN...
...MY SWORD, TOO!
shine
...A DRAGON?
MAGIC KNIGHT. I HAVE SEEN THE STRENGTH OF YOUR FEELINGS FOR YOUR FRIENDS.
IT IS ALL THE PROOF THAT I NEED.
glow
blaze

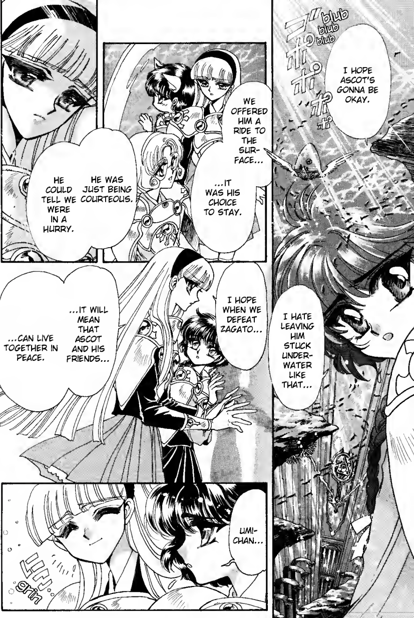

rrrrrumble

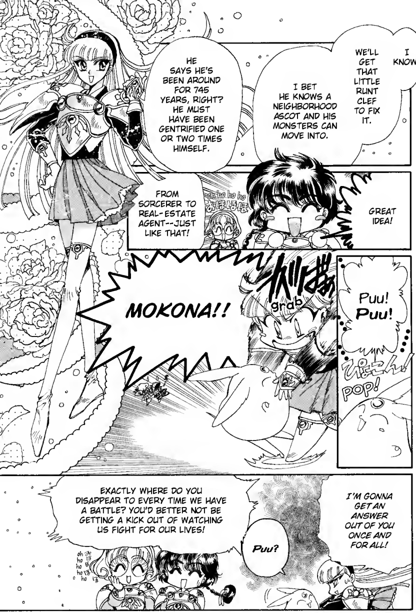

A...A ROBOT ...?
...what happened?
...
huh?
EVEN SO, YOUR HEART...
...IS NOT YET READY TO ACQUIRE ME.
I WILL RETURN TO YOU WHEN YOU HAVE BECOME A TRUE MAGIC KNIGHT.

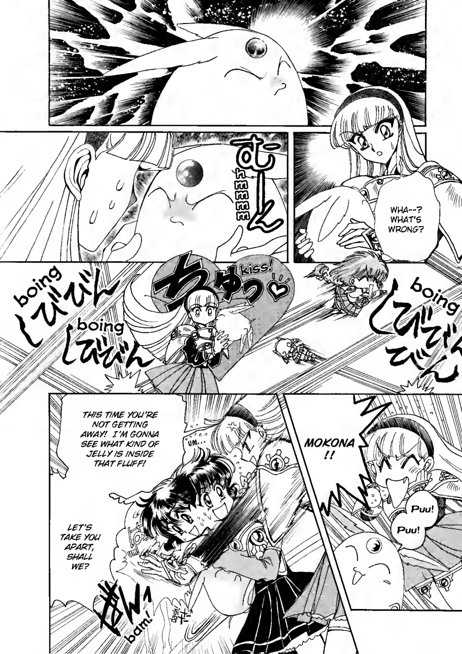

blaze
SHRRR
I-IT'S GONE...
That great big whatever-it-was...
Did you see it?
見たっ
Shoom
gasp!
?
?
TH-THAT WAS...THE DRAGON... WASN'T IT...?
INTERESTING. THE *MASHIN* ARE GIANT ROBOTS.
YOU'RE ALL RIGHT!
HIKARU!
FUU!
yay! yay!

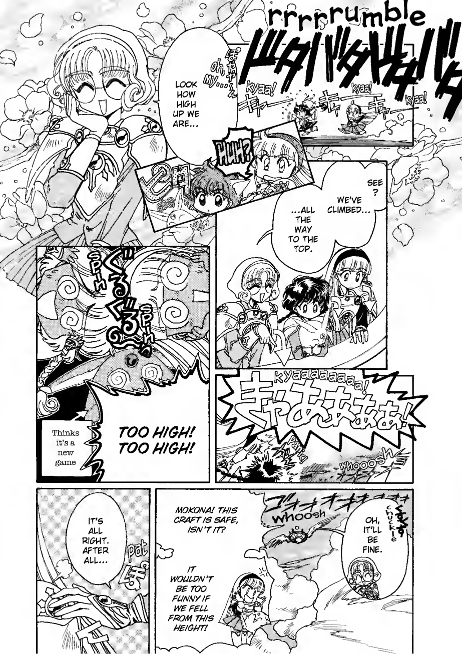

UM... AHEM...
DON'T WORRY, GUYS.
HE'S OKAY NOW.
ニャ? MEOW?
I...
...I'M SORRY.
?
?
?
ポウ
THEY'VE REVIVED ONE OF THE *MASHIN*...

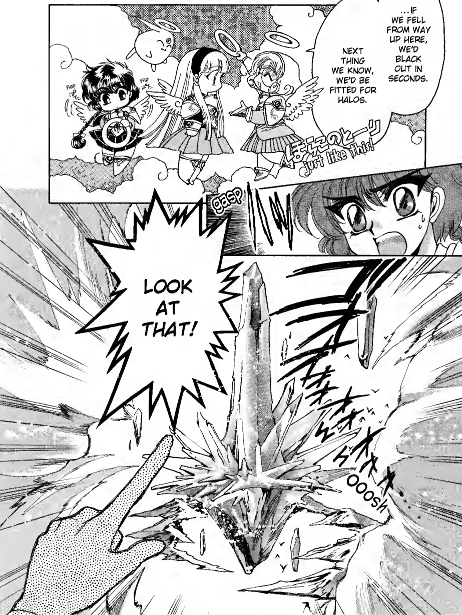

SSHHHH
WELL, BIG SHOCK! ASCOT IS, LIKE, A KID.
YOU CAN'T BE SURPRISED THE PUNK COULDN'T CUT IT.
FORTUNATELY...
...THERE'S STILL ME.
ほないっそなもんだろか!
There's no comparison!
splash
LEAVE IT TO A HOT BABE LIKE CALDINA!

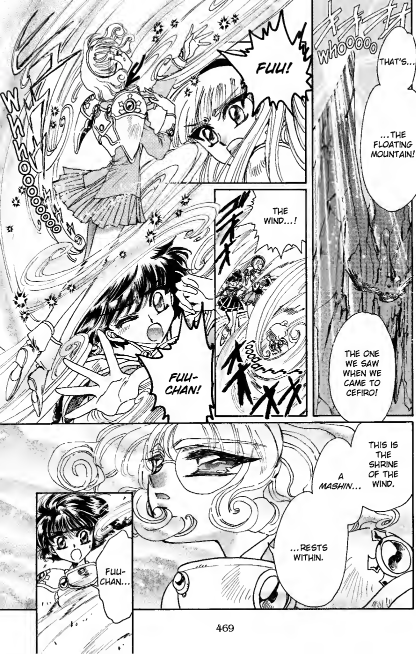

ゴポポポ
blub blub blub
I HOPE ASCOT'S GONNA BE OKAY.
WE OFFERED HIM A RIDE TO THE SURFACE...
...IT WAS HIS CHOICE TO STAY.
HE WAS JUST BEING COURTEOUS.
HE COULD TELL WE WERE IN A HURRY.
I HATE LEAVING HIM STUCK UNDERWATER LIKE THAT...
I HOPE WHEN WE DEFEAT ZAGATO...
...IT WILL MEAN THAT ASCOT AND HIS FRIENDS...
...CAN LIVE TOGETHER IN PEACE.
UMI-CHAN...
ニコッ
grin

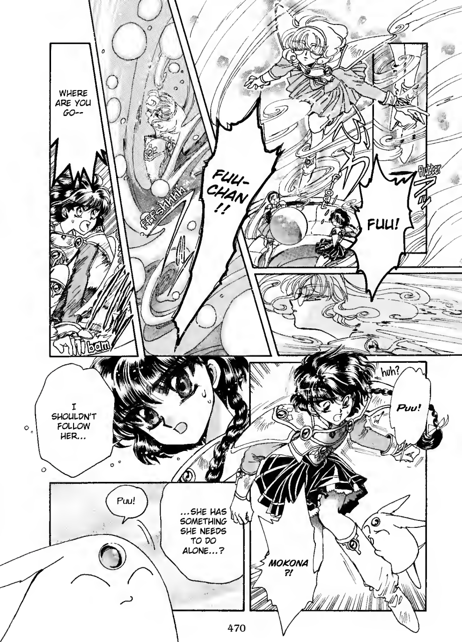

I KNOW!
WE'LL GET THAT LITTLE RUNT CLEF TO FIX IT.
I BET HE KNOWS A NEIGHBORHOOD ASCOT AND HIS MONSTERS CAN MOVE INTO.
HE SAYS HE'S BEEN AROUND FOR 745 YEARS, RIGHT? HE MUST HAVE BEEN GENTRIFIED ONE OR TWO TIMES HIMSELF.
GREAT IDEA!
oh ho ho ho おほほほ
FROM SORCERER TO REAL-ESTATE AGENT--JUST LIKE THAT!
Puu! Puu!
ぴょこん! POP!
grab
MOKONA!!
I'M GONNA GET AN ANSWER OUT OF YOU ONCE AND FOR ALL!
Puu?
EXACTLY WHERE DO YOU DISAPPEAR TO EVERY TIME WE HAVE A BATTLE? YOU'D BETTER NOT BE GETTING A KICK OUT OF WATCHING US FIGHT FOR OUR LIVES!
oh ho ho ho ho おほほほほ

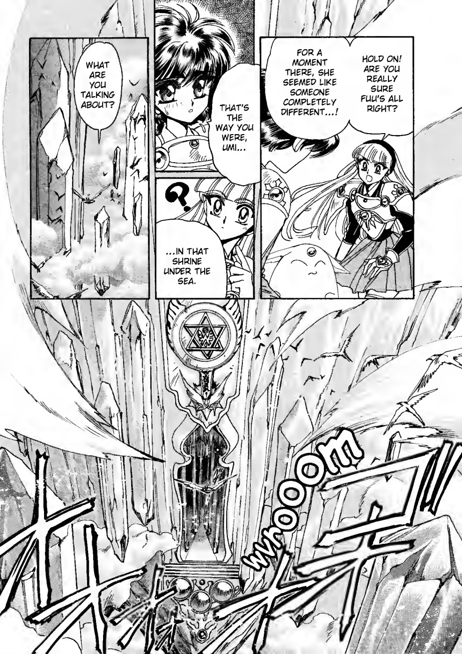

WHA--? WHAT'S WRONG?
むーん
hmmmm
boing
しびびん
kiss!
ちゅっ♡
boing
しびびん
boing
しびびん
MOKONA!!
Puu!
Puu!
THIS TIME YOU'RE NOT GETTING AWAY! I'M GONNA SEE WHAT KIND OF JELLY IS INSIDE THAT FLUFF!
UM...
LET'S TAKE YOU APART, SHALL WE?
UM
bam!
dash

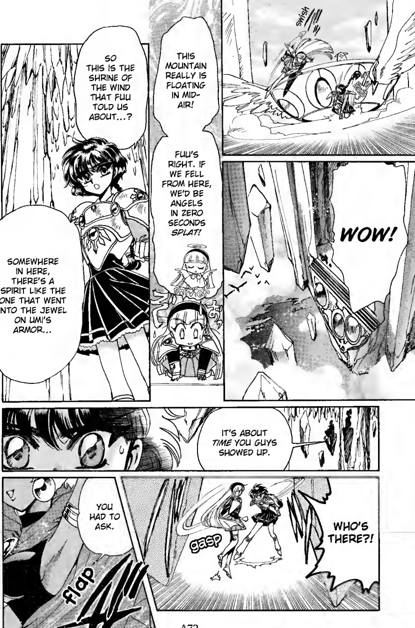

rrrrrumble
ドタバタドタバタ
kyaa!
キャー
kyaa!
キャー
kyaa!
キャー
oh, my...
ぽややや〜ん
LOOK HOW HIGH UP WE ARE...
HUH?
stop
SEE?
WE'VE CLIMBED...
...ALL THE WAY TO THE TOP.
kyaaaaaaaa!
きゃあああああ!
paug
whooosh
spin
spin
ぐるぐる
TOO HIGH! TOO HIGH!
Thinks it's a new game
whoosh
ゴォオオオオオオ
chuckle
くすくす
OH, IT'LL BE FINE.
MOKONA! THIS CRAFT IS SAFE, ISN'T IT?
IT WOULDN'T BE TOO FUNNY IF WE FELL FROM THIS HEIGHT!
IT'S ALL RIGHT. AFTER ALL...
pat
ぽむ

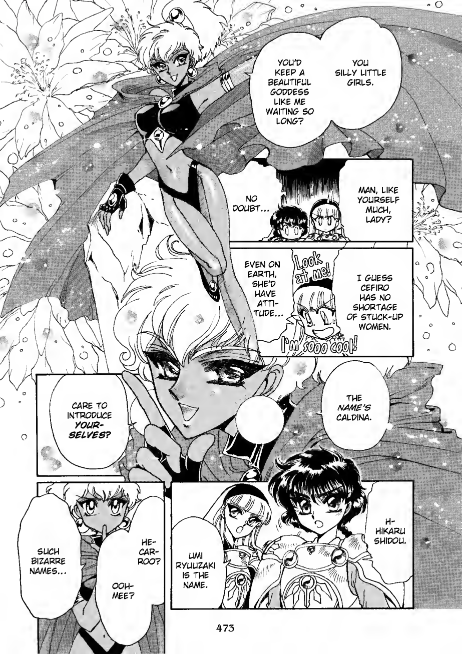

...IF WE FELL FROM WAY UP HERE, WE'D BLACK OUT IN SECONDS.
NEXT THING WE KNOW, WE'D BE FITTED FOR HALOS.
ほえのとーり
just like this!
Flip ぱた
Flap ぱた
gasp
LOOK AT THAT!
OOOsh

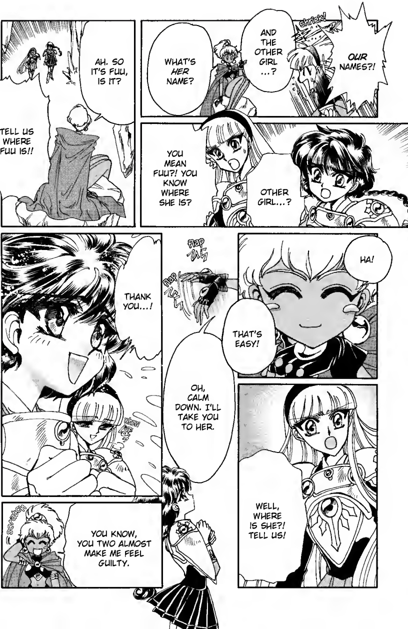

FUU!
WHHOOOOOOOO
THE WIND...!
FUU-CHAN!
WHOOOOO
THAT'S...
...THE FLOATING MOUNTAIN!
THE ONE WE SAW WHEN WE CAME TO CEFIRO!
THIS IS THE SHRINE OF THE WIND.
A MASHIN...
...RESTS WITHIN.
FUU-CHAN...

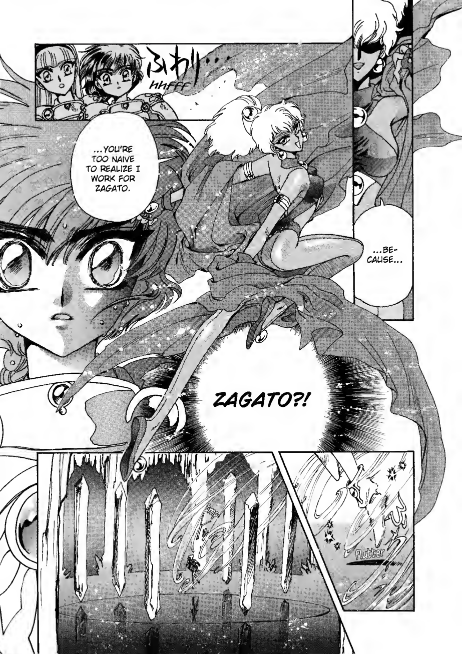

WHERE ARE YOU GO--
bam
FFFshhhh
FUU-CHAN!!
float
flutter
FUU!
I SHOULDN'T FOLLOW HER...
huh?
Puu!
MOKONA?!
Puu!
...SHE HAS SOMETHING SHE NEEDS TO DO ALONE...?

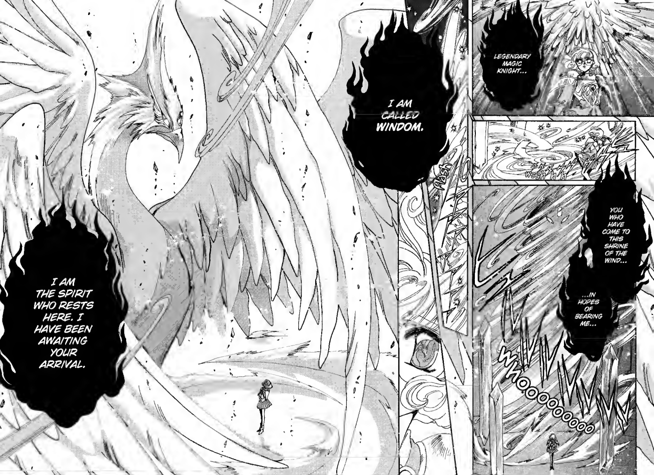

HOLD ON! ARE YOU REALLY SURE FUU'S ALL RIGHT?
FOR A MOMENT THERE, SHE SEEMED LIKE SOMEONE COMPLETELY DIFFERENT...!
THAT'S THE WAY YOU WERE, UMI...
?
...IN THAT SHRINE UNDER THE SEA.
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
WHOOOM

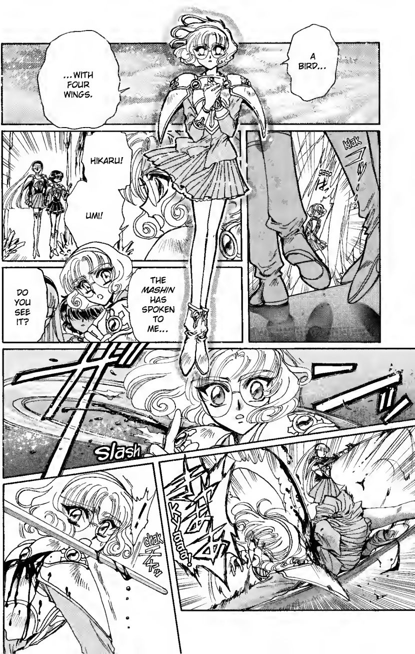

SWISH
WOW!
THIS MOUNTAIN REALLY IS FLOATING IN MID-AIR!
SO THIS IS THE SHRINE OF THE WIND THAT FUU TOLD US ABOUT...?
FUU'S RIGHT. IF WE FELL FROM HERE, WE'D BE ANGELS IN ZERO SECONDS *SPLAT!*
shiver
SOMEWHERE IN HERE, THERE'S A SPIRIT LIKE THE ONE THAT WENT INTO THE JEWEL ON UMI'S ARMOR...
IT'S ABOUT *TIME* YOU GUYS SHOWED UP.
WHO'S THERE?!
gasp
YOU HAD TO ASK.
flap

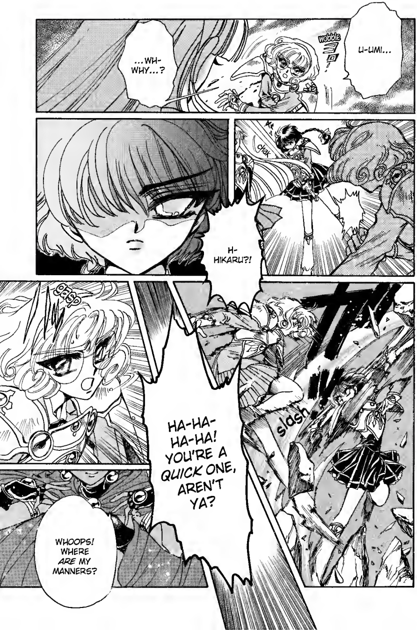

YOU SILLY LITTLE GIRLS.
YOU'D KEEP A BEAUTIFUL GODDESS LIKE ME WAITING SO LONG?
MAN, LIKE YOURSELF MUCH, LADY?
NO DOUBT...
I GUESS CEFIRO HAS NO SHORTAGE OF STUCK-UP WOMEN.
Look at me!
I'm sooo cool!
EVEN ON EARTH, SHE'D HAVE ATTITUDE...
THE *NAME'S* CALDINA.
CARE TO INTRODUCE ***YOURSELVES?***
H-HIKARU SHIDOU.
UMI RYUUZAKI IS THE NAME.
HE-CAR-ROO?
OOH-MEE?
SUCH BIZARRE NAMES...

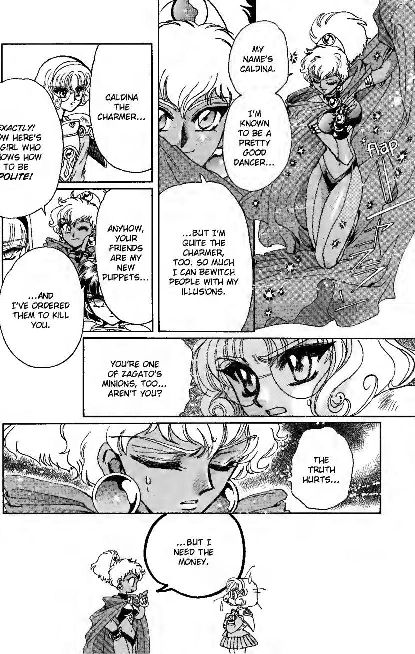

Shriek!
OUR NAMES?!
AND THE OTHER GIRL ...?
WHAT'S *HER* NAME?
OTHER GIRL...?
YOU MEAN FUU?! YOU KNOW WHERE SHE IS?
AH. SO IT'S FUU, IS IT?
TELL US WHERE FUU IS!!
HA!
flap
flap
THAT'S EASY!
THANK YOU...!
whew
WELL, WHERE IS SHE?! TELL US!
OH, CALM DOWN. I'LL TAKE YOU TO HER.
scratch
YOU KNOW, YOU TWO ALMOST MAKE ME FEEL GUILTY.

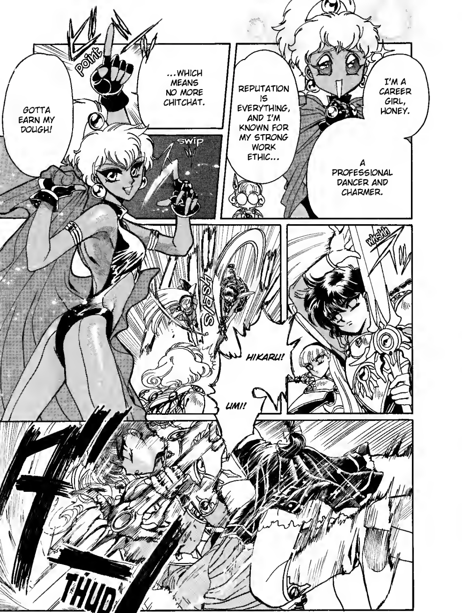

...BE-CAUSE...
ふわり…
hhfff
...YOU'RE TOO NAIVE TO REALIZE I WORK FOR ZAGATO.
ZAGATO?!
flutter
Limp

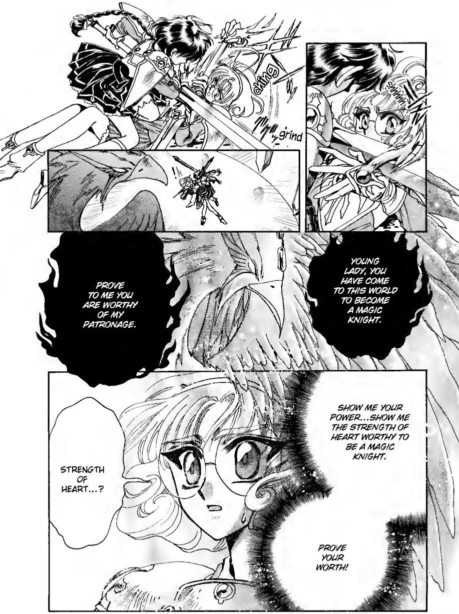

LEGENDARY MAGIC KNIGHT...
WSSH
YOU WHO HAVE COME TO THIS SHRINE OF THE WIND...
...IN HOPES OF BEARING ME...
WHOOOOOOOOO
FLASH
I AM CALLED WINDOM.
I AM THE SPIRIT WHO RESTS HERE. I HAVE BEEN AWAITING YOUR ARRIVAL.

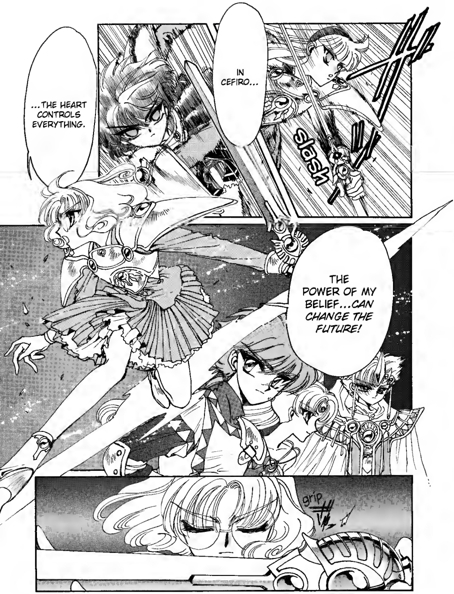

A BIRD...
...WITH FOUR WINGS.
klak
コッ
gasp
はっ
HIKARU!
UMI!
THE MASHIN HAS SPOKEN TO ME...
DO YOU SEE IT?
Slash
kyaaaa!
chak
チャキッ

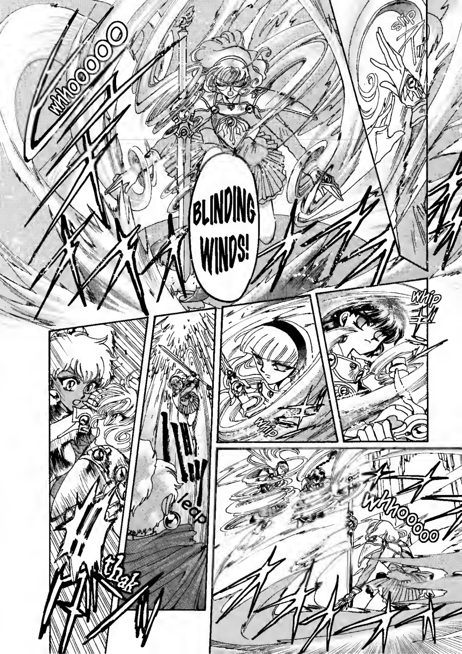

U-UMI...
wobble
...WH- WHY...?
chak
H- HIKARU?!
slash
gasp
HA-HA-HA-HA! YOU'RE A *QUICK* ONE, AREN'T YA?
WHOOPS! WHERE *ARE* MY MANNERS?

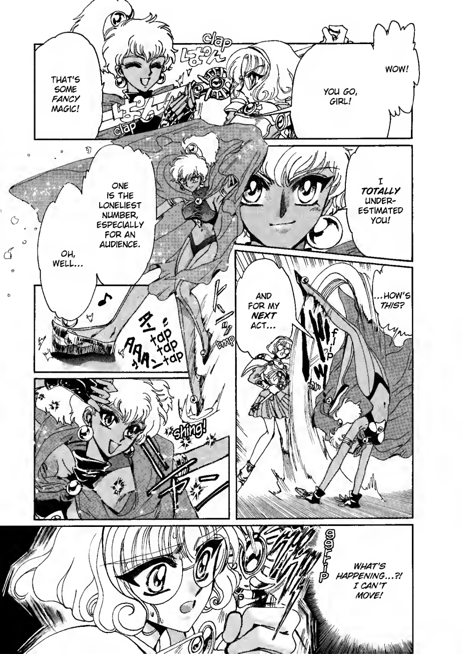

MY NAME'S CALDINA.
I'M KNOWN TO BE A PRETTY GOOD DANCER...
flap
...BUT I'M QUITE THE CHARMER, TOO. SO MUCH I CAN BEWITCH PEOPLE WITH MY ILLUSIONS.
CALDINA THE CHARMER...
EXACTLY! NOW HERE'S A GIRL WHO KNOWS HOW TO BE ***POLITE!***
ANYHOW, YOUR FRIENDS ARE MY NEW PUPPETS...
...AND I'VE ORDERED THEM TO KILL YOU.
YOU'RE ONE OF ZAGATO'S MINIONS, TOO... AREN'T YOU?
THE TRUTH HURTS...
...BUT I NEED THE MONEY.

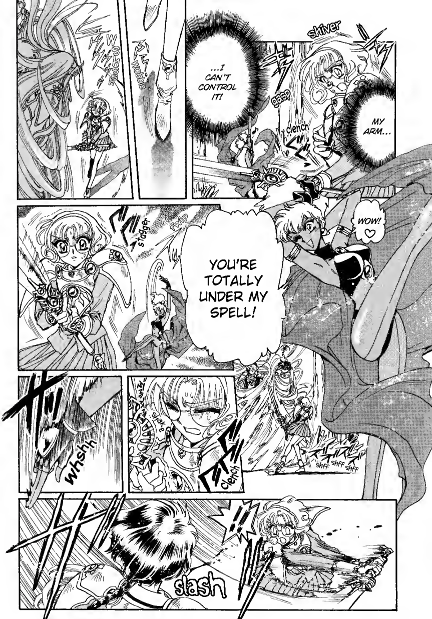

I'M A CAREER GIRL, HONEY.
A PROFESSIONAL DANCER AND CHARMER.
REPUTATION IS EVERYTHING, AND I'M KNOWN FOR MY STRONG WORK ETHIC...
...WHICH MEANS NO MORE CHITCHAT.
point
GOTTA EARN MY DOUGH!
swip
whshh
SASH
HIKARU!
UMI!
THUD

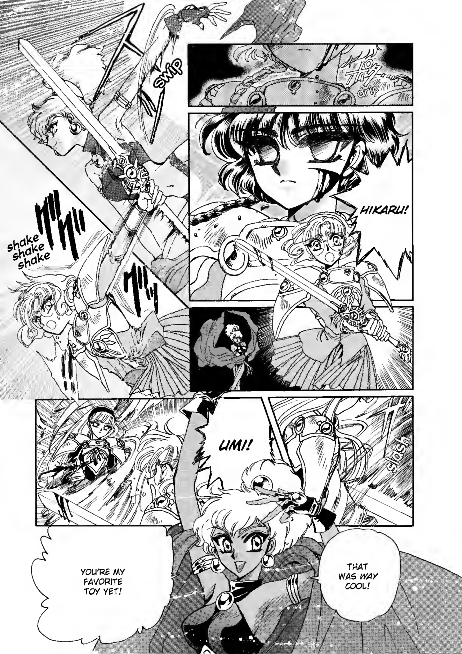

ching
grind
shhhhh
YOUNG LADY, YOU HAVE COME TO THIS WORLD TO BECOME A MAGIC KNIGHT.
PROVE TO ME YOU ARE WORTHY OF MY PATRONAGE.
SHOW ME YOUR POWER...SHOW ME THE STRENGTH OF HEART WORTHY TO BE A MAGIC KNIGHT.
PROVE YOUR WORTH!
STRENGTH OF HEART...?

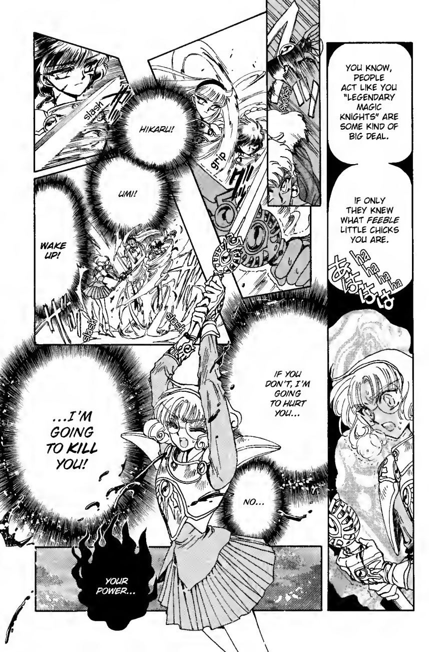

IN CEFIRO...
...THE HEART CONTROLS EVERYTHING.
slash
THE POWER OF MY BELIEF...*CAN CHANGE THE FUTURE!*
grip

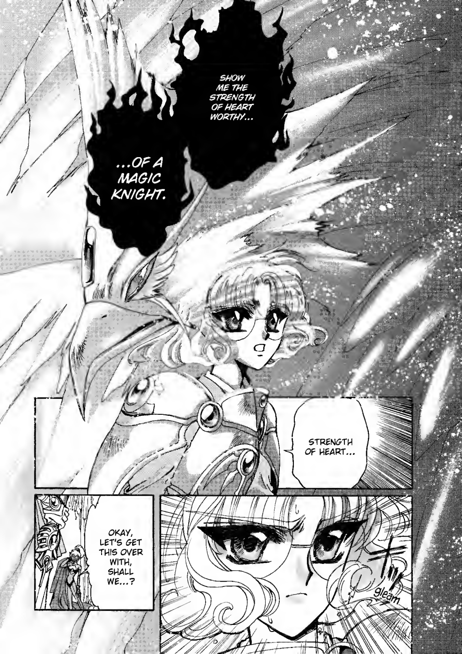

slip
whhoooOO
BLINDING WINDS!
whip
whip
leap
thak
whhoooooo

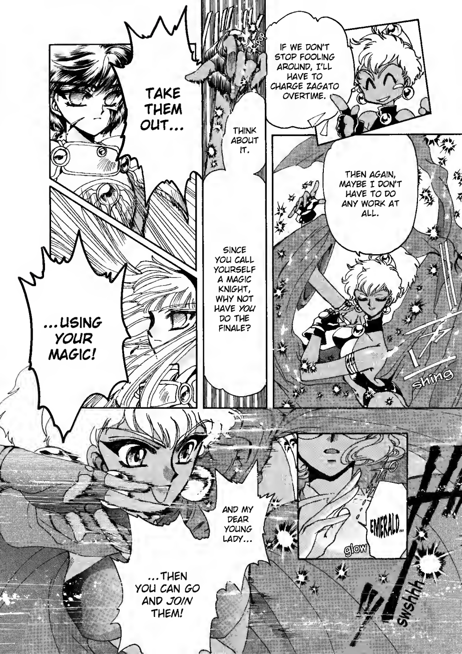

WOW!
YOU GO, GIRL!
clap
THAT'S SOME FANCY MAGIC!
clap
I TOTALLY UNDER-ESTIMATED YOU!
ONE IS THE LONELIEST NUMBER, ESPECIALLY FOR AN AUDIENCE.
OH, WELL...
tap tap tap
tmp
...HOW'S THIS?
AND FOR MY NEXT ACT...
flip
shing!
WHAT'S HAPPENING...?! I CAN'T MOVE!

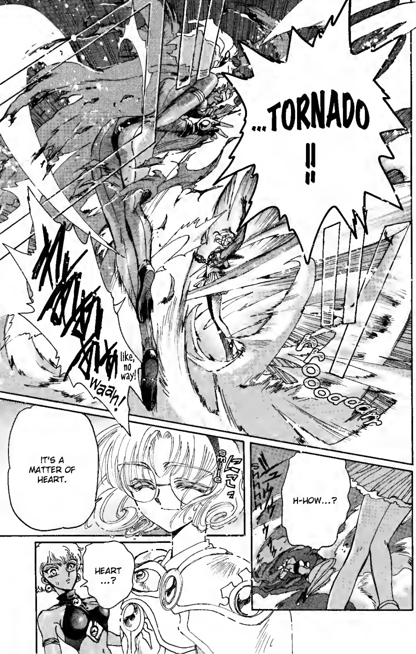

shiver
gasp
MY ARM...
clench
...I CAN'T CONTROL IT!
wobble
wshssh
WOW! ♡
YOU'RE TOTALLY UNDER MY SPELL!
fwip
stagger
shff shff shff
clench
shake
whshh
slash

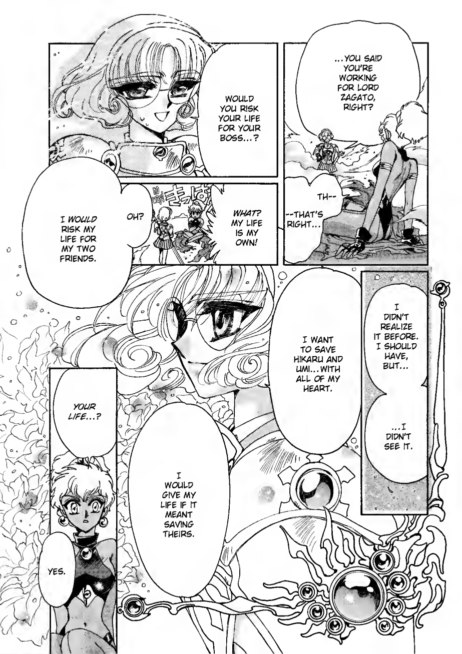

ポタ…
drip
swip
HIKARU!
shake
shake
shake
slash
UMI!
THAT WAS *WAY* COOL!
YOU'RE MY FAVORITE TOY YET!

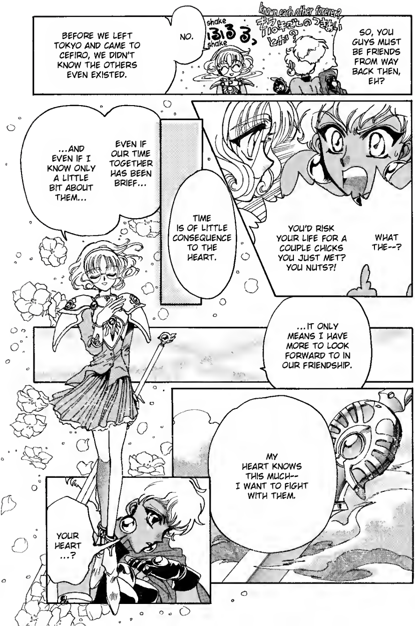

swoosh
YOU KNOW, PEOPLE ACT LIKE YOU "LEGENDARY MAGIC KNIGHTS" ARE SOME KIND OF BIG DEAL.
IF ONLY THEY KNEW WHAT *FEEBLE* LITTLE CHICKS YOU ARE.
あははは
ha ha ha ha
grip
HIKARU!
slash
UMI!
WAKE UP!
slash
slash
NO...
IF YOU DON'T, I'M GOING TO HURT YOU...
...I'M GOING TO **KILL** YOU!
YOUR POWER...

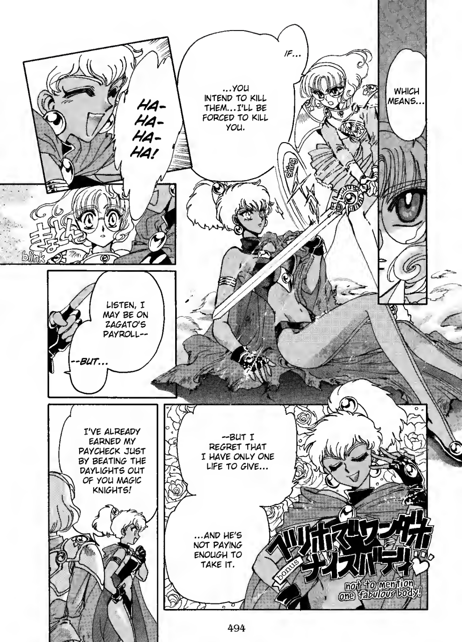

SHOW ME THE STRENGTH OF HEART WORTHY...
...OF A MAGIC KNIGHT.
STRENGTH OF HEART...
OKAY, LET'S GET THIS OVER WITH, SHALL WE...?
gleam

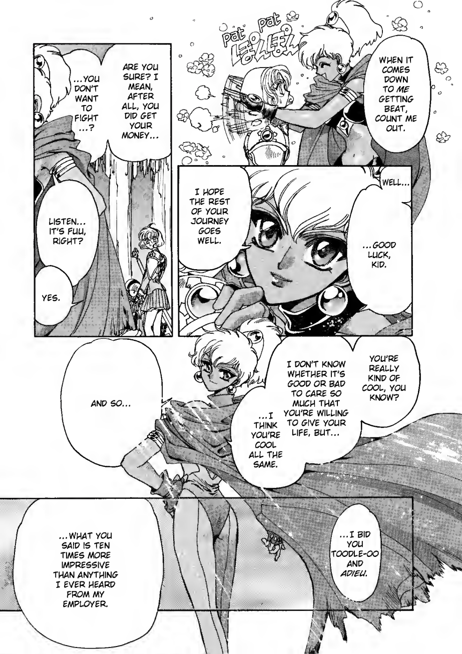

TAKE THEM OUT...
...USING *YOUR* MAGIC!
IF WE DON'T STOP FOOLING AROUND, I'LL HAVE TO CHARGE ZAGATO OVERTIME.
THINK ABOUT IT.
THEN AGAIN, MAYBE I DON'T HAVE TO DO ANY WORK AT ALL.
SINCE YOU CALL YOURSELF A MAGIC KNIGHT, WHY NOT HAVE *YOU* DO THE FINALE?
shing
AND MY DEAR YOUNG LADY...
...THEN YOU CAN GO AND *JOIN* THEM!
EMERALD...
glow
swshh

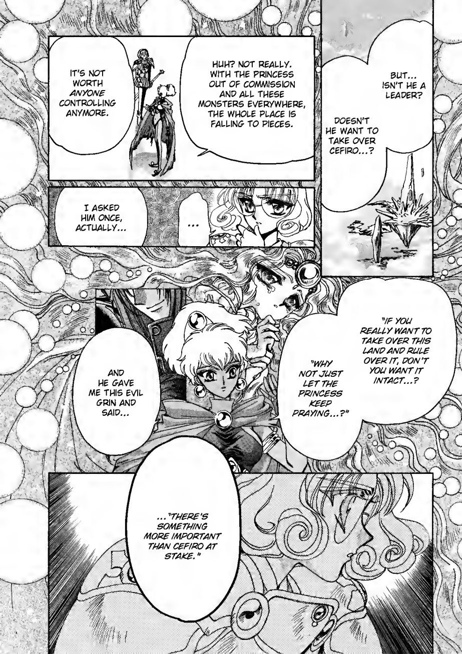

...TORNADO !!
like, no way!
Waah!
frroooaarr
shhhhh
H-HOW...?
smile
にこっ
IT'S A MATTER OF HEART.
HEART ...?

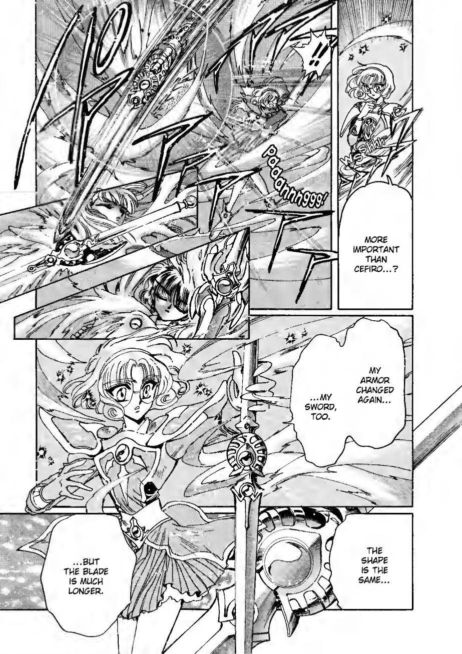

...YOU SAID YOU'RE WORKING FOR LORD ZAGATO, RIGHT?
WOULD YOU RISK YOUR LIFE FOR YOUR BOSS...?
TH--
--THAT'S RIGHT...
WHAT? MY LIFE IS MY OWN!
NO WAY!
OH?
I *WOULD* RISK MY LIFE FOR MY TWO FRIENDS.
I DIDN'T REALIZE IT BEFORE. I SHOULD HAVE, BUT...
...I DIDN'T SEE IT.
I WANT TO SAVE HIKARU AND UMI...WITH ALL OF MY HEART.
I WOULD GIVE MY LIFE IF IT MEANT SAVING THEIRS.
YOUR LIFE...?
YES.

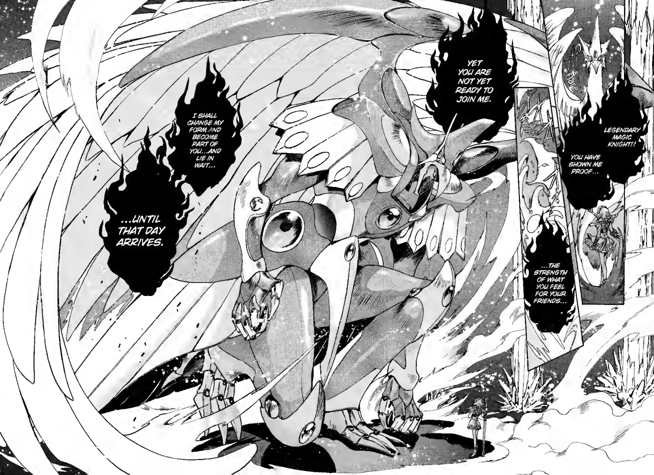

SO, YOU GUYS MUST BE FRIENDS FROM WAY BACK THEN, EH?
known each other forever?
そう10年ごしのつきあいとか？
NO.
shake ふるる shake
BEFORE WE LEFT TOKYO AND CAME TO CEFIRO, WE DIDN'T KNOW THE OTHERS EVEN EXISTED.
WHAT THE--?
YOU'D RISK YOUR LIFE FOR A COUPLE CHICKS YOU JUST MET? YOU NUTS?!
TIME IS OF LITTLE CONSEQUENCE TO THE HEART.
EVEN IF OUR TIME TOGETHER HAS BEEN BRIEF...
...AND EVEN IF I KNOW ONLY A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THEM...
...IT ONLY MEANS I HAVE MORE TO LOOK FORWARD TO IN OUR FRIENDSHIP.
MY HEART KNOWS THIS MUCH-- I WANT TO FIGHT WITH THEM.
YOUR HEART ...?

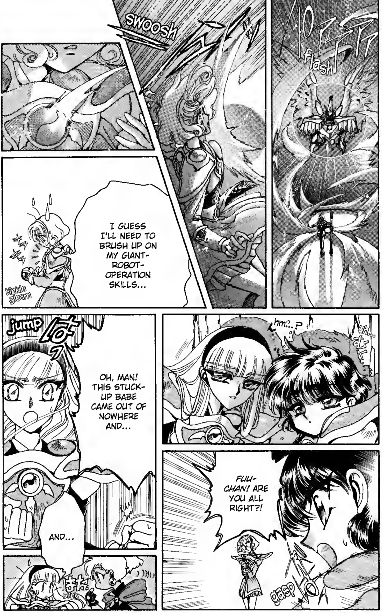

WHICH MEANS...
IF...
...YOU INTEND TO KILL THEM...I'LL BE FORCED TO KILL YOU.
shing
HA-HA-HA-HA!
きょとん
blink
LISTEN, I MAY BE ON ZAGATO'S PAYROLL--
--BUT...
I'VE ALREADY EARNED MY PAYCHECK JUST BY BEATING THE DAYLIGHTS OUT OF YOU MAGIC KNIGHTS!
--BUT I REGRET THAT I HAVE ONLY ONE LIFE TO GIVE...
...AND HE'S NOT PAYING ENOUGH TO TAKE IT.
ヘソまでワンダホ!
bonus
ナイスバディ!!
not to mention one fabulous body!

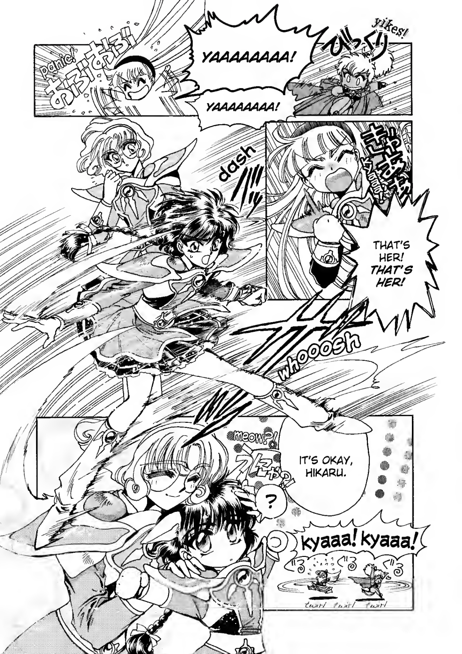

Pat pat
ぽんぽん
WHEN IT COMES DOWN TO *ME* GETTING BEAT, COUNT ME OUT.
ARE YOU SURE? I MEAN, AFTER ALL, YOU DID GET YOUR MONEY...
...YOU DON'T WANT TO FIGHT ...?
LISTEN... IT'S FUU, RIGHT?
YES.
WELL...
...GOOD LUCK, KID.
I HOPE THE REST OF YOUR JOURNEY GOES WELL.
YOU'RE REALLY KIND OF COOL, YOU KNOW?
I DON'T KNOW WHETHER IT'S GOOD OR BAD TO CARE SO MUCH THAT YOU'RE WILLING TO GIVE YOUR LIFE, BUT...
...I THINK YOU'RE COOL ALL THE SAME.
AND SO...
...I BID YOU TOODLE-OO AND *ADIEU*.
...WHAT YOU SAID IS TEN TIMES MORE IMPRESSIVE THAN ANYTHING I EVER HEARD FROM MY EMPLOYER.

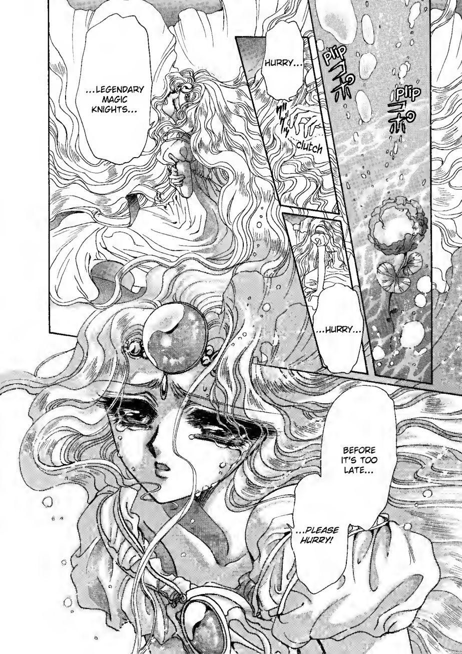

BUT... ISN'T HE A LEADER?
DOESN'T HE WANT TO TAKE OVER CEFIRO...?
HUH? NOT REALLY. WITH THE PRINCESS OUT OF COMMISSION AND ALL THESE MONSTERS EVERYWHERE, THE WHOLE PLACE IS FALLING TO PIECES.
IT'S NOT WORTH *ANYONE* CONTROLLING ANYMORE.
...
I ASKED HIM ONCE, ACTUALLY...
"IF YOU REALLY WANT TO TAKE OVER THIS LAND AND RULE OVER IT, DON'T YOU WANT IT INTACT...?
"WHY NOT JUST LET THE PRINCESS KEEP PRAYING...?"
AND HE GAVE ME THIS EVIL GRIN AND SAID...
..."THERE'S SOMETHING MORE IMPORTANT THAN CEFIRO AT STAKE."

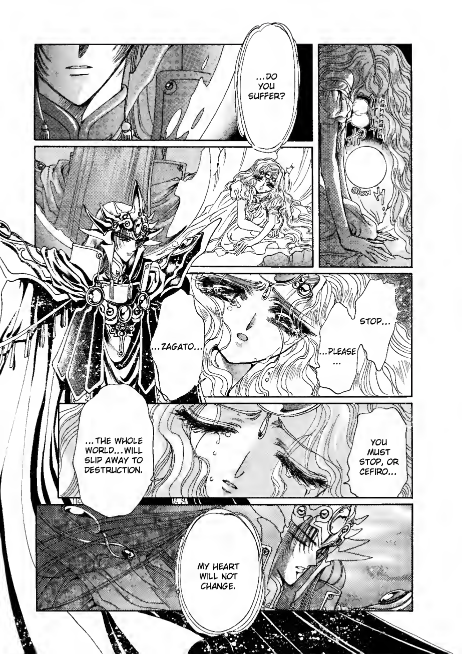

wsshh
MORE IMPORTANT THAN CEFIRO...?
paaannnggg!
MY ARMOR CHANGED AGAIN...
...MY SWORD, TOO.
THE SHAPE IS THE SAME...
...BUT THE BLADE IS MUCH LONGER.

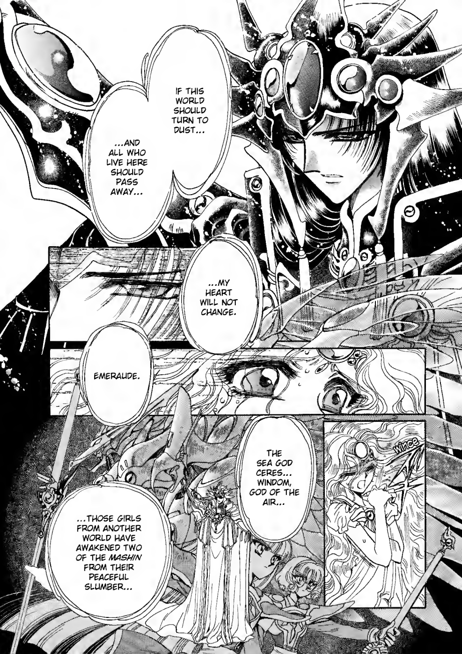

Flare
LEGENDARY MAGIC KNIGHT!!
YOU HAVE SHOWN ME PROOF...
...THE STRENGTH OF WHAT YOU FEEL FOR YOUR FRIENDS...
YET YOU ARE NOT YET READY TO JOIN ME.
I SHALL CHANGE MY FORM AND BECOME PART OF YOU...AND LIE IN WAIT...
...UNTIL THAT DAY ARRIVES.

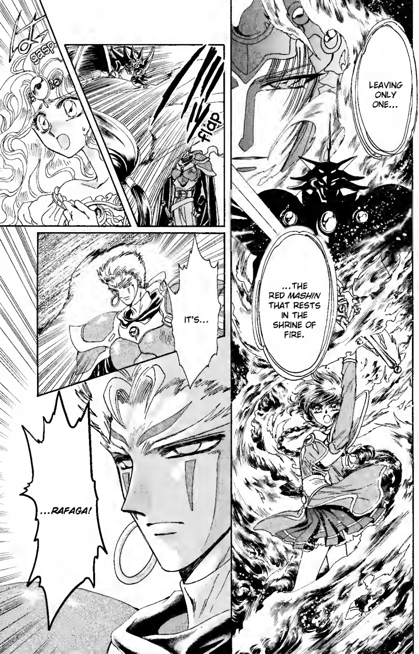

flash
swoosh
I GUESS I'LL NEED TO BRUSH UP ON MY GIANT-ROBOT-OPERATION SKILLS...
tinkle gleam
hm?..?
uh...
jump
OH, MAN! THIS STUCK-UP BABE CAME OUT OF NOWHERE AND...
AND...
blink
FUU-CHAN! ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?!
gasp

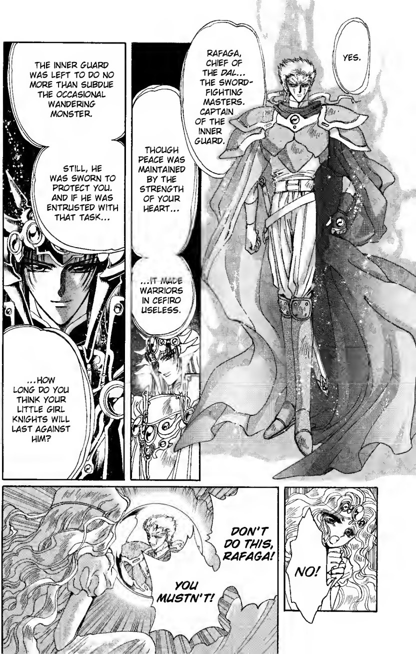

びっくり
yikes!
YAAAAAAAA!
おろおろ
panic!
YAAAAAAAA!
きゃあああ
kyaaa!
THAT'S HER! THAT'S HER!
dash
whooosh
IT'S OKAY, HIKARU.
うにゃ?!
meow?!
?
kyaaa! kyaaa!
ぐる ぐる ぐる
twirl twirl twirl

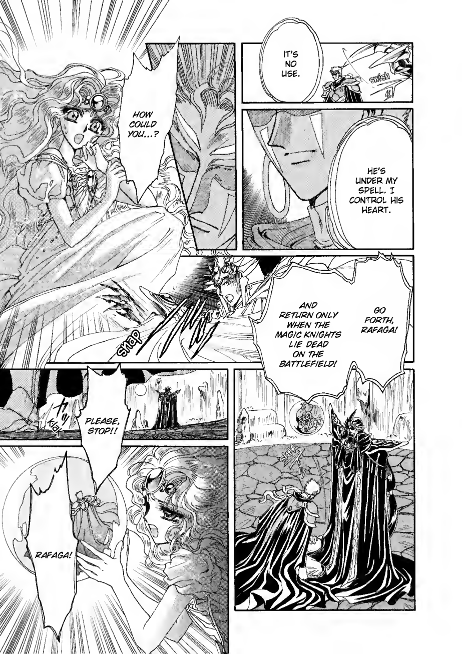

plip
コポ
plip
コポ
HURRY...
ギュッ
clutch
...LEGENDARY MAGIC KNIGHTS...
...HURRY...
BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE...
...PLEASE HURRY!

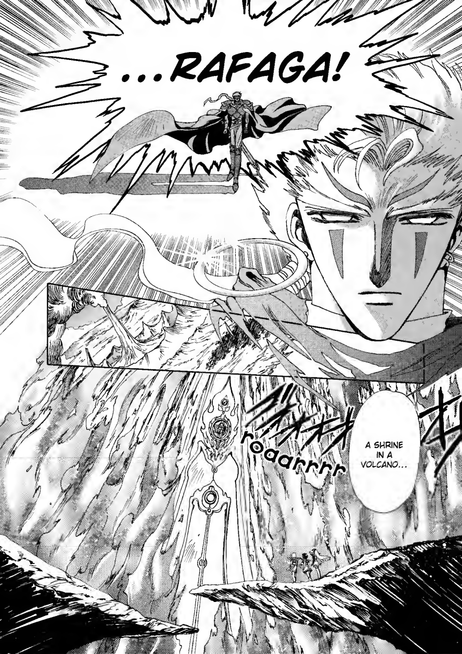

hahhhahh
glow
...DO YOU SUFFER?
STOP...
...PLEASE...
...ZAGATO...
YOU MUST STOP, OR CEFIRO...
...THE WHOLE WORLD...WILL SLIP AWAY TO DESTRUCTION.
MY HEART WILL NOT CHANGE.

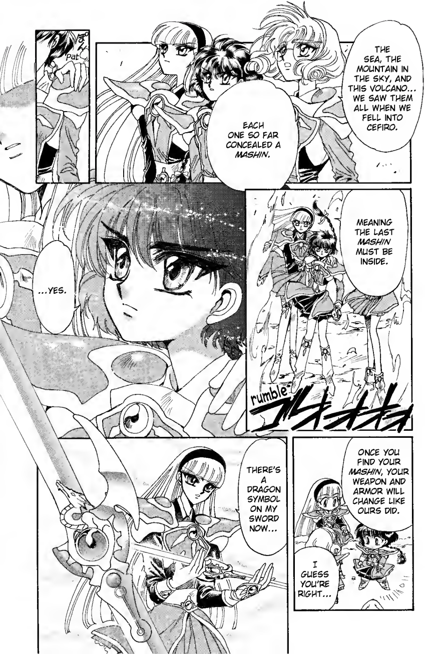

IF THIS WORLD SHOULD TURN TO DUST...
...AND ALL WHO LIVE HERE SHOULD PASS AWAY...
...MY HEART WILL NOT CHANGE.
EMERAUDE.
wince
THE SEA GOD CERES... WINDOM, GOD OF THE AIR...
...THOSE GIRLS FROM ANOTHER WORLD HAVE AWAKENED TWO OF THE *MASHIN* FROM THEIR PEACEFUL SLUMBER...

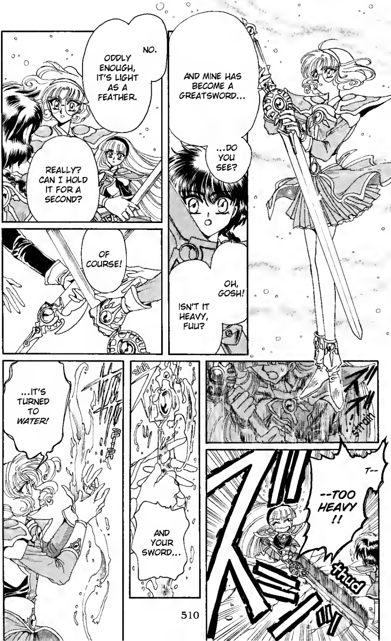

LEAVING ONLY ONE...
...THE RED *MASHIN* THAT RESTS IN THE SHRINE OF FIRE.
flap
gasp
IT'S...
...RAFAGA!

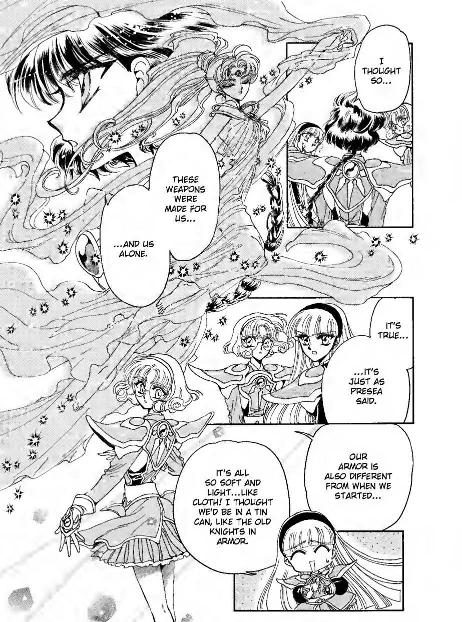

RAFAGA, CHIEF OF THE *DAL*... THE SWORD-FIGHTING MASTERS. CAPTAIN OF THE INNER GUARD.
YES.
THOUGH PEACE WAS MAINTAINED BY THE STRENGTH OF YOUR HEART...
...IT MADE WARRIORS IN CEFIRO USELESS.
THE INNER GUARD WAS LEFT TO DO NO MORE THAN SUBDUE THE OCCASIONAL WANDERING MONSTER.
STILL, HE WAS SWORN TO PROTECT YOU. AND IF HE WAS ENTRUSTED WITH THAT TASK...
...HOW LONG DO YOU THINK YOUR LITTLE GIRL KNIGHTS WILL LAST AGAINST HIM?
NO!
DON'T DO THIS, RAFAGA!
YOU MUSTN'T!

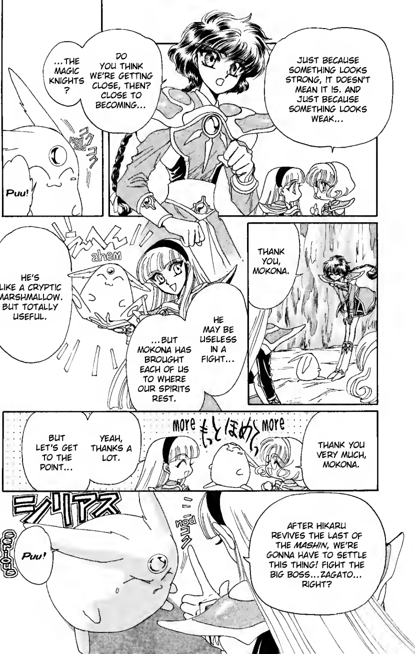

IT'S NO USE.
swish
HE'S UNDER MY SPELL. I CONTROL HIS HEART.
HOW COULD YOU...?
GO FORTH, RAFAGA!
AND RETURN ONLY WHEN THE MAGIC KNIGHTS LIE DEAD ON THE BATTLEFIELD!
snap
shff
PLEASE, STOP!!
klak
RAFAGA!

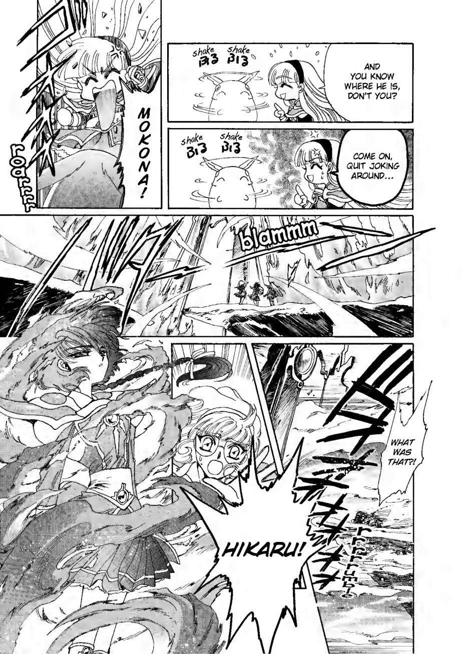

...RAFAGA!
A SHRINE IN A VOLCANO...
roaarrrr

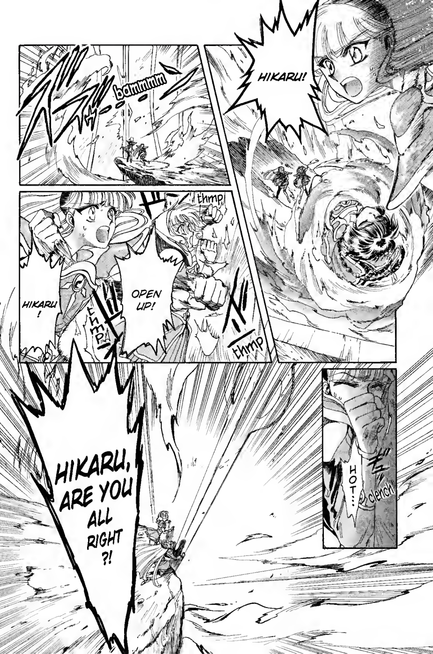

THE SEA, THE MOUNTAIN IN THE SKY, AND THIS VOLCANO... WE SAW THEM ALL WHEN WE FELL INTO CEFIRO.
EACH ONE SO FAR CONCEALED A *MASHIN.*
pat
MEANING THE LAST *MASHIN* MUST BE INSIDE.
rumble
...YES.
ONCE YOU FIND YOUR *MASHIN*, YOUR WEAPON AND ARMOR WILL CHANGE LIKE OURS DID.
I GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT...
THERE'S A DRAGON SYMBOL ON MY SWORD NOW...

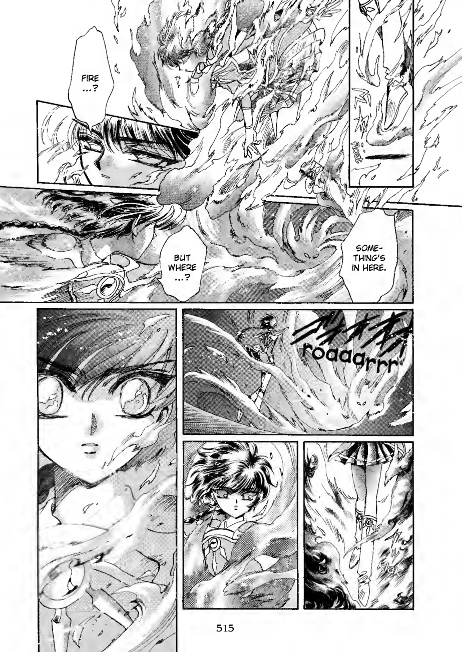

AND MINE HAS BECOME A GREATSWORD...
...DO YOU SEE?
OH, GOSH! ISN'T IT HEAVY, FUU?
NO. ODDLY ENOUGH, IT'S LIGHT AS A FEATHER.
REALLY? CAN I HOLD IT FOR A SECOND?
OF COURSE!
strain
T--
--TOO HEAVY !!
thud
shh
AND YOUR SWORD...
...IT'S TURNED TO *WATER!*

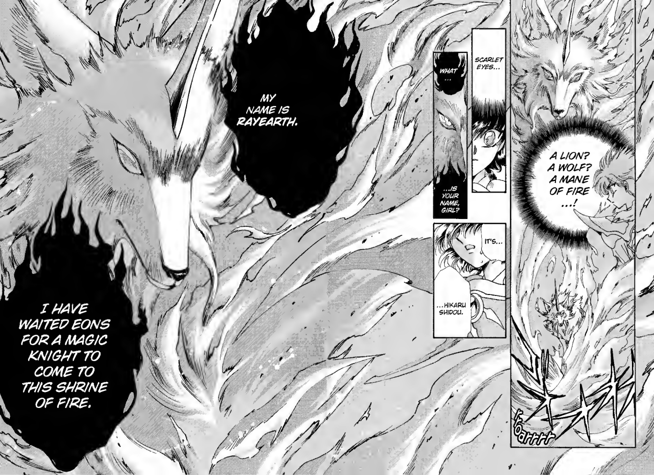

I THOUGHT SO...
THESE WEAPONS WERE MADE FOR US...
...AND US ALONE.
IT'S TRUE...
...IT'S JUST AS PRESEA SAID.
OUR ARMOR IS ALSO DIFFERENT FROM WHEN WE STARTED...
IT'S ALL SO SOFT AND LIGHT...LIKE CLOTH! I THOUGHT WE'D BE IN A TIN CAN, LIKE THE OLD KNIGHTS IN ARMOR.

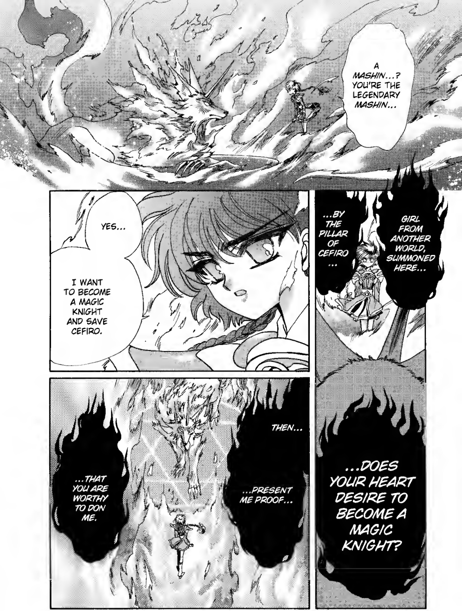

JUST BECAUSE SOMETHING LOOKS STRONG, IT DOESN'T MEAN IT IS. AND JUST BECAUSE SOMETHING LOOKS WEAK...
DO YOU THINK WE'RE GETTING CLOSE, THEN? CLOSE TO BECOMING...
...THE MAGIC KNIGHTS?
nod nod
Puu!
THANK YOU, MOKONA.
HE MAY BE USELESS IN A FIGHT...
...BUT MOKONA HAS BROUGHT EACH OF US TO WHERE OUR SPIRITS REST.
ahem
HE'S LIKE A CRYPTIC MARSHMALLOW. BUT TOTALLY USEFUL.
THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MOKONA.
more
more
YEAH, THANKS A LOT.
BUT LET'S GET TO THE POINT...
AFTER HIKARU REVIVES THE LAST OF THE *MASHIN*, WE'RE GONNA HAVE TO SETTLE THIS THING! FIGHT THE BIG BOSS...ZAGATO... RIGHT?
nod
serious
Puu!

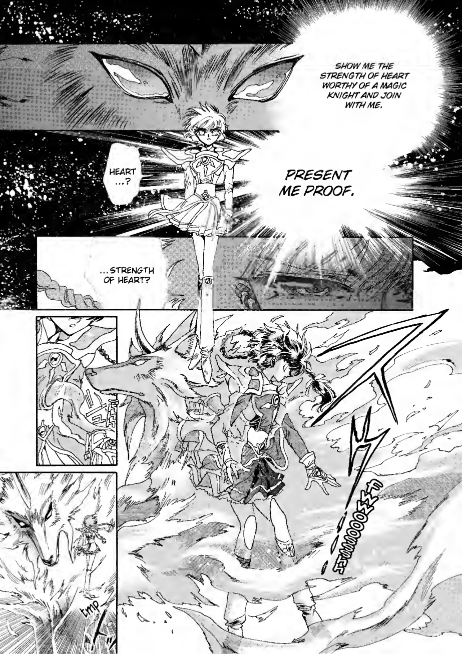

shake shake
ぷる ぷる
AND YOU KNOW WHERE HE IS, DON'T YOU?
shake shake
ぷる ぷる
COME ON, QUIT JOKING AROUND...
MOKONA!
roarrr
blammm
WHAT WAS THAT?!
rrrrrumble
HIKARU!

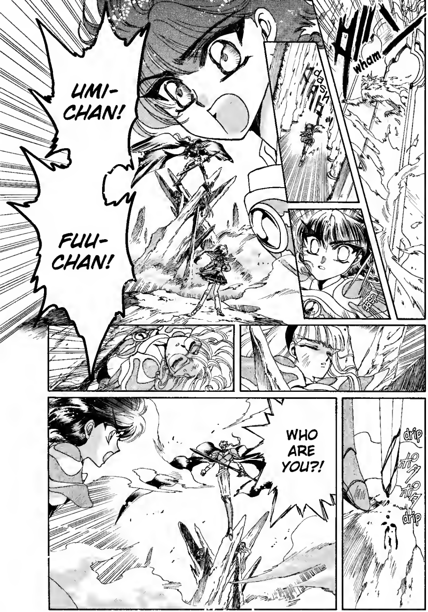

HIKARU!
bammmm
thmp
OPEN UP!
HIKARU!
thmp
thmp
HOT...
clench
HIKARU, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?!

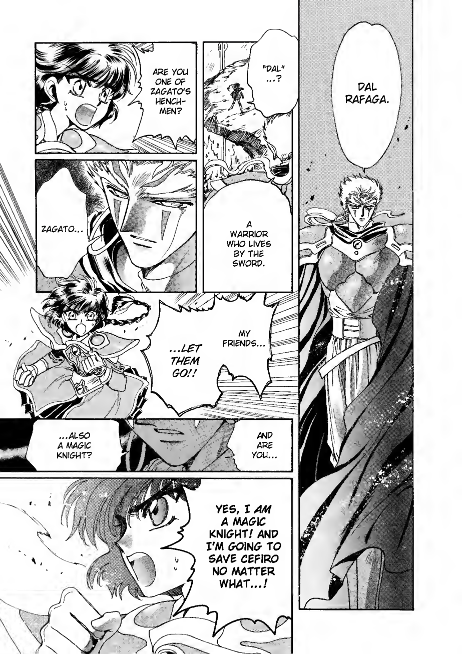

float
FIRE ...?
SOME-THING'S IN HERE.
BUT WHERE ...?
roaaarrr
klak

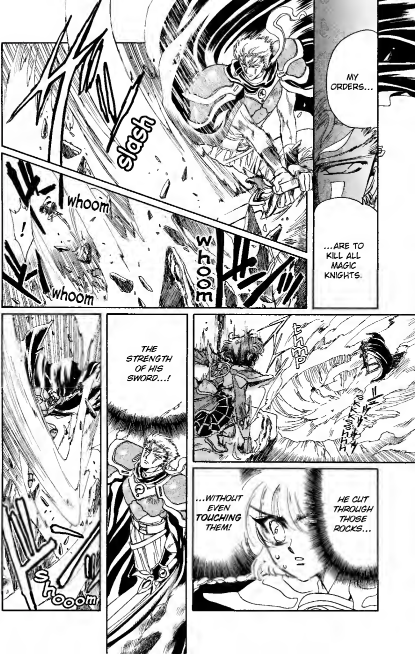

A LION? A WOLF? A MANE OF FIRE ...!
roarrrr
SCARLET EYES...
WHAT ...
...IS YOUR NAME, GIRL?
IT'S...
...HIKARU SHIDOU.
MY NAME IS RAYEARTH.
I HAVE WAITED EONS FOR A MAGIC KNIGHT TO COME TO THIS SHRINE OF FIRE.

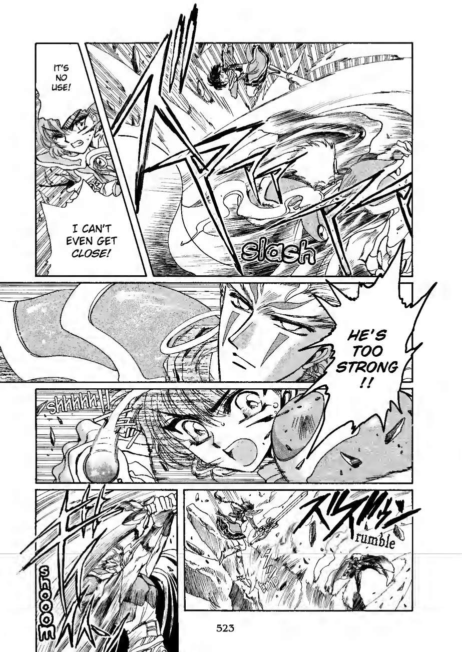

A MASHIN...? YOU'RE THE LEGENDARY MASHIN...
GIRL FROM ANOTHER WORLD, SUMMONED HERE...
...BY THE PILLAR OF CEFIRO...
...DOES YOUR HEART DESIRE TO BECOME A MAGIC KNIGHT?
YES...
I WANT TO BECOME A MAGIC KNIGHT AND SAVE CEFIRO.
THEN...
...PRESENT ME PROOF...
...THAT YOU ARE WORTHY TO DON ME.

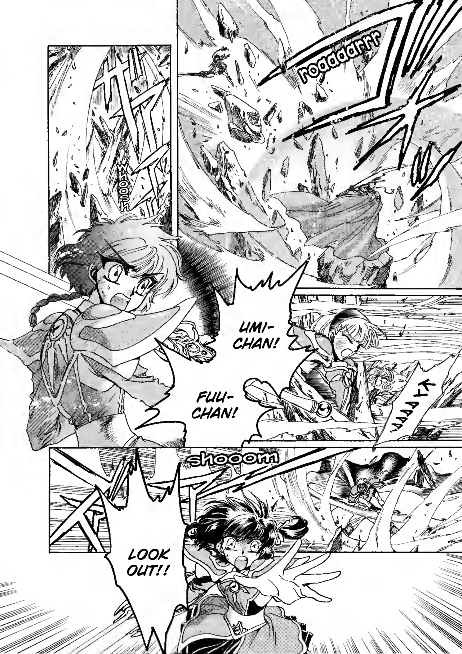

SHOW ME THE STRENGTH OF HEART WORTHY OF A MAGIC KNIGHT AND JOIN WITH ME.
PRESENT ME PROOF.
HEART ...?
...STRENGTH OF HEART?
Shhh
FWOOOOOSSH
tmp

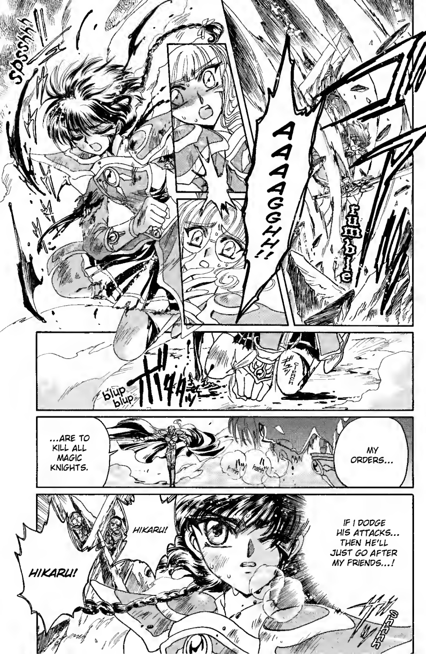

wham
dash
gasp
UMI-CHAN!
FUU-CHAN!
drip
drip
WHO ARE YOU?!

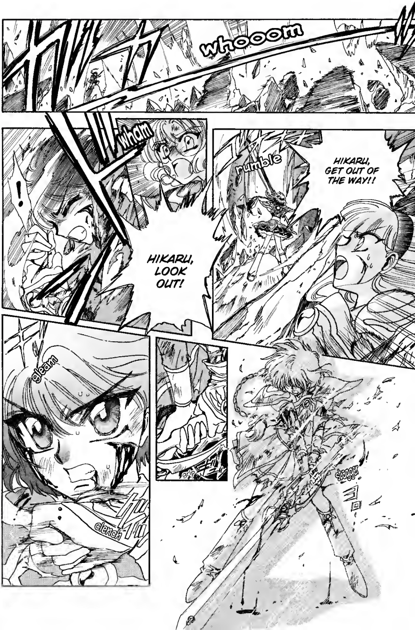

DAL RAFAGA.
"DAL" ...?
ARE YOU ONE OF ZAGATO'S HENCHMEN?
A WARRIOR WHO LIVES BY THE SWORD.
ZAGATO...
MY FRIENDS...
...LET THEM GO!!
AND ARE YOU...
...ALSO A MAGIC KNIGHT?
YES, I *AM* A MAGIC KNIGHT! AND I'M GOING TO SAVE CEFIRO NO MATTER WHAT...!

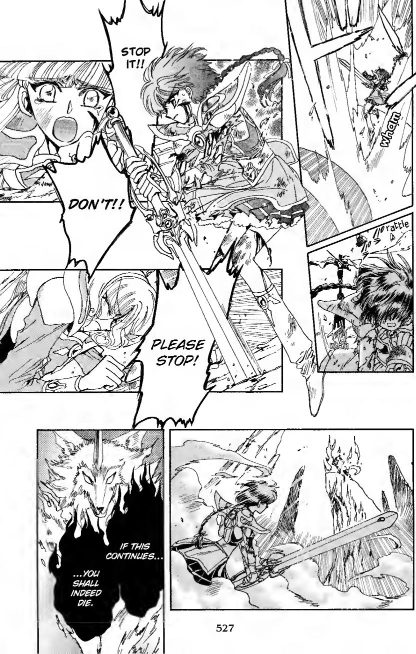

MY ORDERS...
...ARE TO KILL ALL MAGIC KNIGHTS.
slash
whoom
whoom
whoom
thmp
skkkshhh
HE CUT THROUGH THOSE ROCKS...
...WITHOUT EVEN TOUCHING THEM!
THE STRENGTH OF HIS SWORD...!
shooom

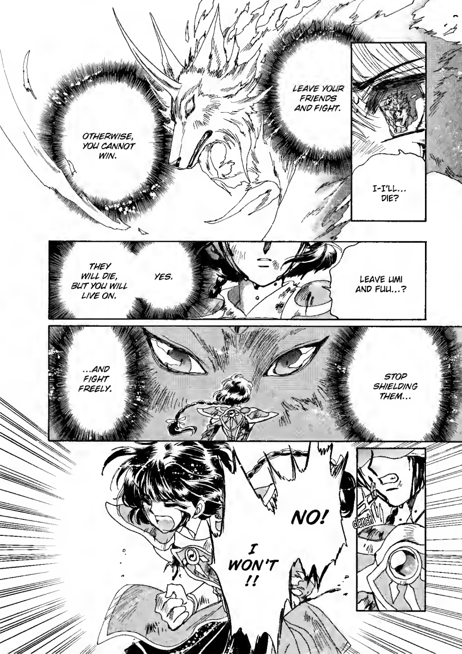

IT'S NO USE!
I CAN'T EVEN GET CLOSE!
slash
HE'S TOO STRONG!!
shhhhh!!
shoooom
rumble
tmp

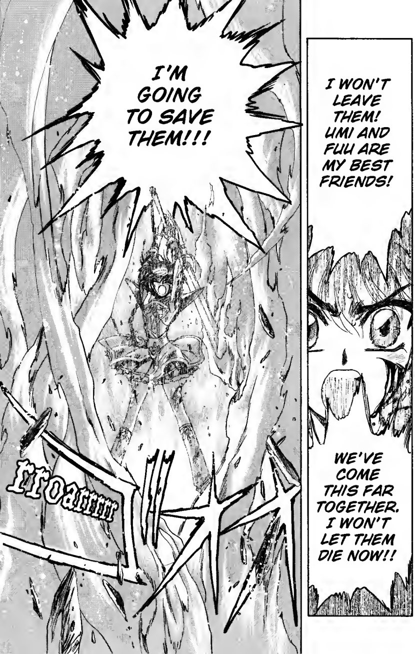

roaaaarrr
whoosh
UMI-CHAN!
KYAAAAA!
FUU-CHAN!
shooom
LOOK OUT!!

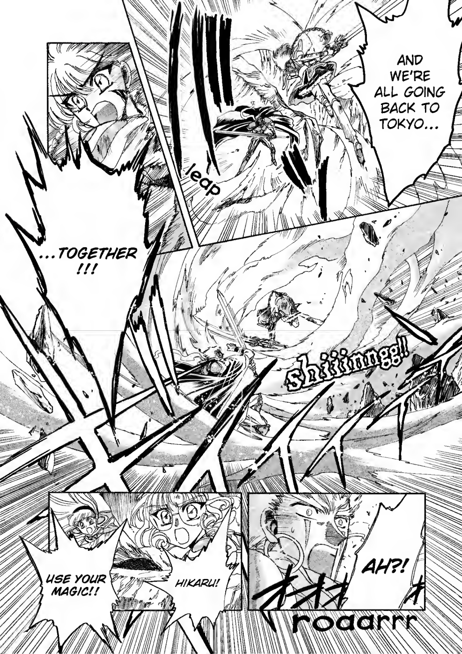

AAAAAGGHH!!
rumble
spsshhh!!
ギュッ
clench
ボタタッ
blup blup
MY ORDERS...
...ARE TO KILL ALL MAGIC KNIGHTS.
hahh
hahh
IF I DODGE HIS ATTACKS... THEN HE'LL JUST GO AFTER MY FRIENDS...!
HIKARU!
HIKARU!
shhhhh

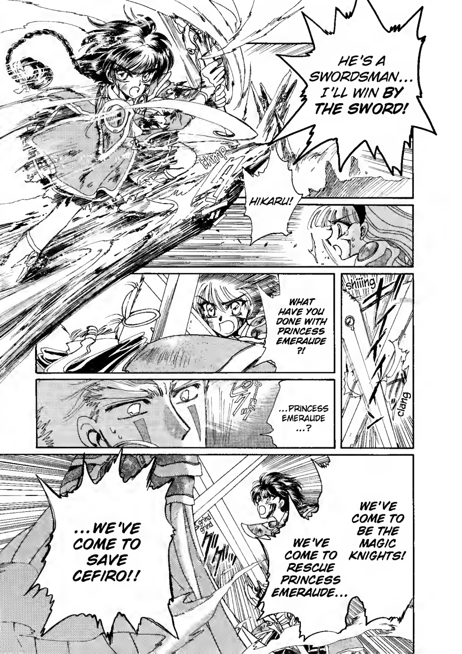

whooom
HIKARU, GET OUT OF THE WAY!!
rumble
wham
HIKARU, LOOK OUT!
!
stagger
grip
gleam
clench

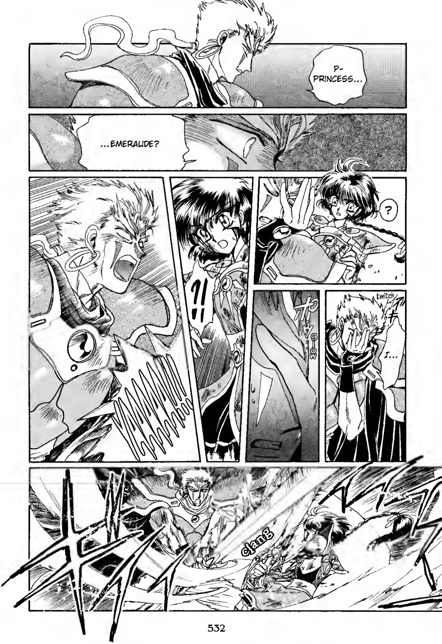

wham
STOP IT!!
DON'T!!
rattle
PLEASE STOP!
whshh
IF THIS CONTINUES...
...YOU SHALL INDEED DIE.

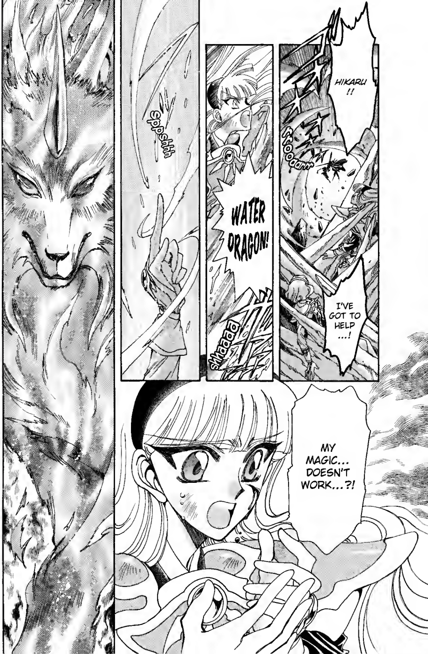

LEAVE YOUR FRIENDS AND FIGHT.
OTHERWISE, YOU CANNOT WIN.
I-I'LL... DIE?
LEAVE UMI AND FUU...?
YES.
THEY WILL DIE, BUT YOU WILL LIVE ON.
STOP SHIELDING THEM...
...AND FIGHT FREELY.
clench
NO!
I WON'T!!

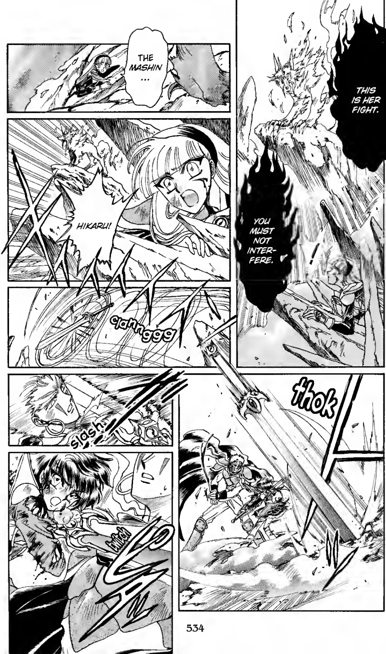

I WON'T LEAVE THEM! UMI AND FUU ARE MY BEST FRIENDS!
WE'VE COME THIS FAR TOGETHER. I WON'T LET THEM DIE NOW!!
I'M GOING TO SAVE THEM!!!
rroarrrrr

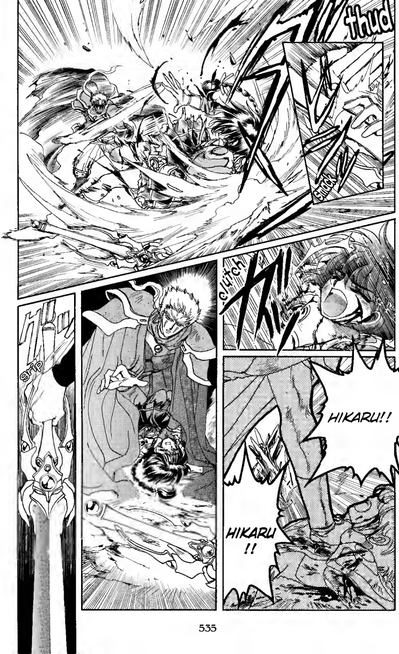

AND WE'RE ALL GOING BACK TO TOKYO...
leap
...TOGETHER !!!
shiiinngg!!
AH?!
オオオ
オ
roaarr
HIKARU!
USE YOUR MAGIC!!

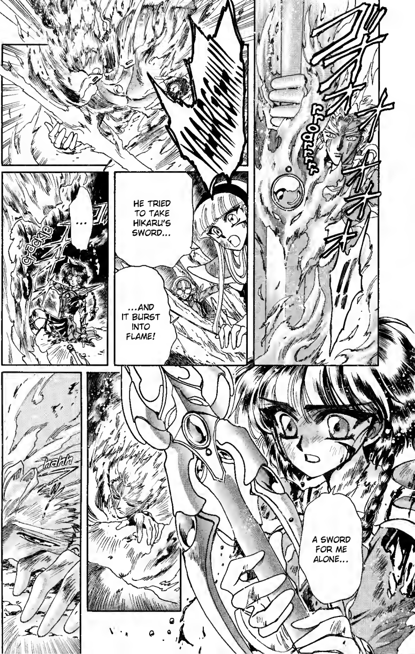

HE'S A SWORDSMAN... I'LL WIN BY THE SWORD!
thmp
HIKARU!
shiiing
clang
WHAT HAVE YOU DONE WITH PRINCESS EMERAUDE ?!
blink
...PRINCESS EMERAUDE ...?
WE'VE COME TO BE THE MAGIC KNIGHTS!
WE'VE COME TO RESCUE PRINCESS EMERAUDE...
grind grind
...WE'VE COME TO SAVE CEFIRO!!

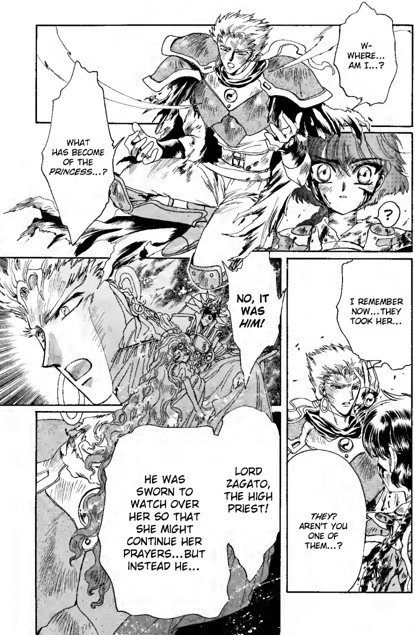

P-PRINCESS...
...EMERAUDE?
?
twitch
I...
glow
!!
clang

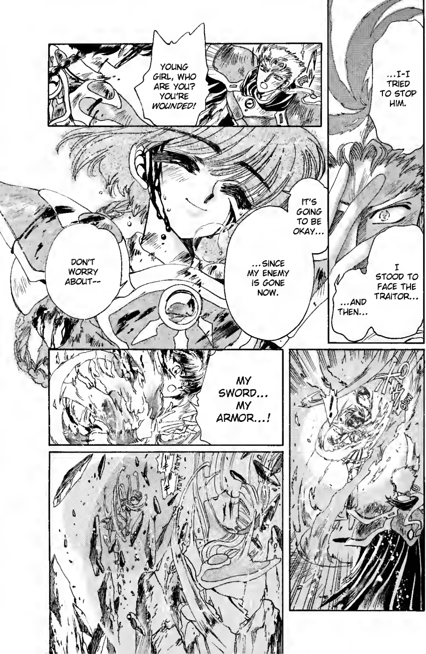

HIKARU !!
rrooaarrr
I'VE GOT TO HELP ...!
WATER DRAGON!
shkaaaa
sppshhh
MY MAGIC... DOESN'T WORK...?!

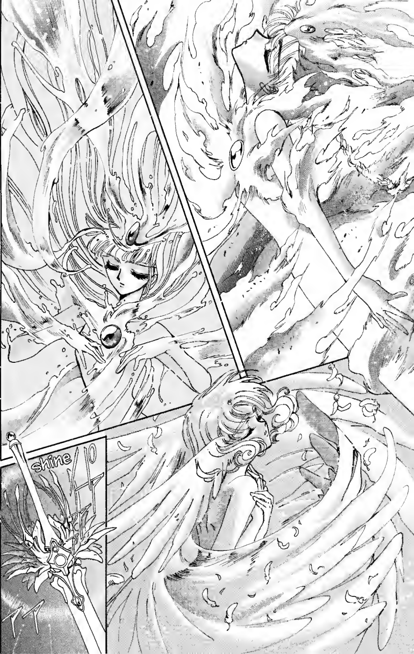

THIS IS HER FIGHT.
YOU MUST NOT INTERFERE.
!
THE MASHIN ...
HIKARU!
clanggg
thok
slash
twitch


thud
smack
clutch
HIKARU!!
HIKARU !!
grip

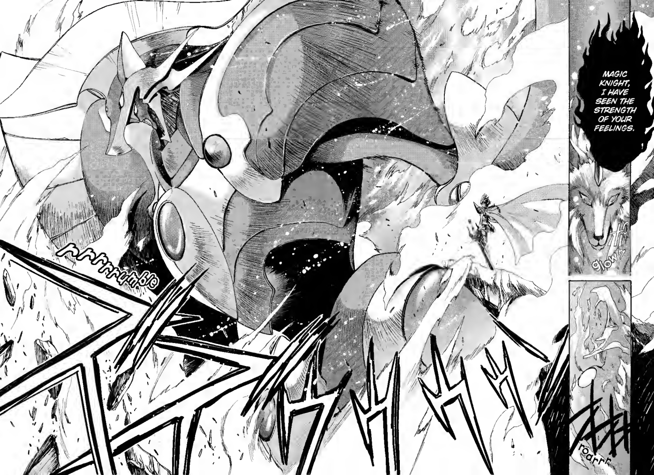

ゴオオオオオオ
rroarrrr
YAAARGGH!!
HE TRIED TO TAKE HIKARU'S SWORD...
...AND IT BURST INTO FLAME!
...
crackle
A SWORD FOR ME ALONE...
hahh

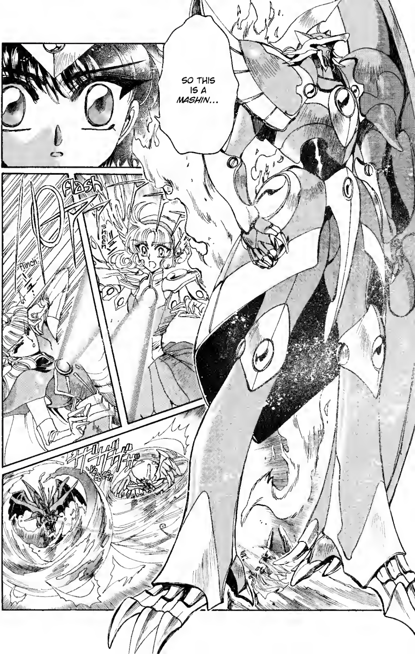

W- WHERE... AM I...?
WHAT HAS BECOME OF THE *PRINCESS*...?
?
I REMEMBER NOW...THEY TOOK HER...
THEY? AREN'T YOU ONE OF THEM...?
NO, IT WAS *HIM!*
LORD ZAGATO, THE HIGH PRIEST!
HE WAS SWORN TO WATCH OVER HER SO THAT SHE MIGHT CONTINUE HER PRAYERS...BUT INSTEAD HE...

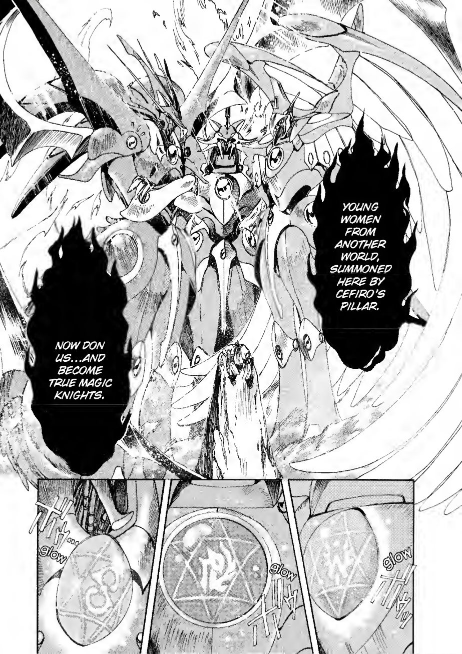

YOUNG GIRL, WHO ARE YOU? YOU'RE *WOUNDED!*
DON'T WORRY ABOUT--
IT'S GOING TO BE OKAY...
...SINCE MY ENEMY IS GONE NOW.
...I-I TRIED TO STOP HIM.
I STOOD TO FACE THE TRAITOR...
...AND THEN...
MY SWORD... MY ARMOR...!
glow

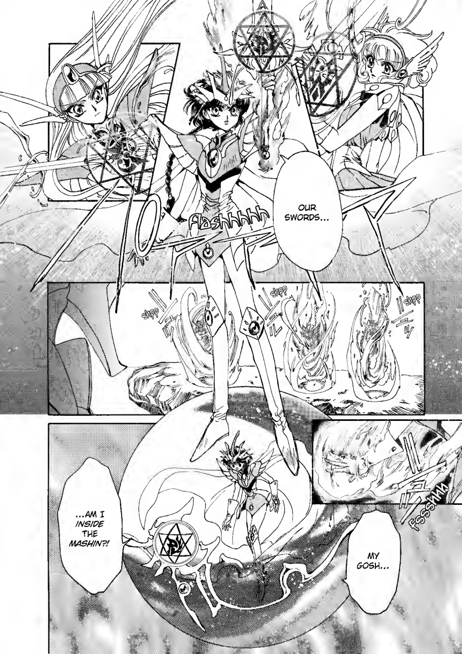

shine
パァァ
アア

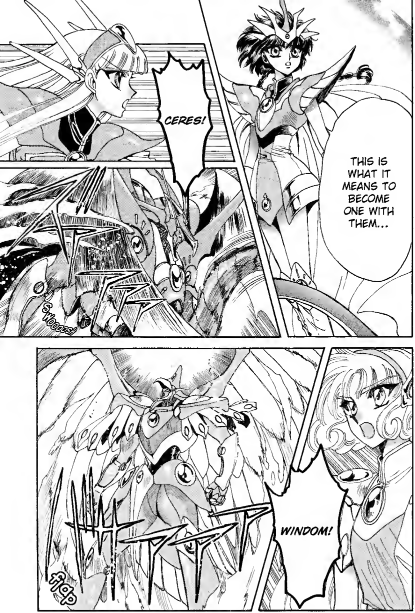
whoooooooo
ザアアアアアア
shhhhhaaaa
ゴオオオオ
rrrroarrrr

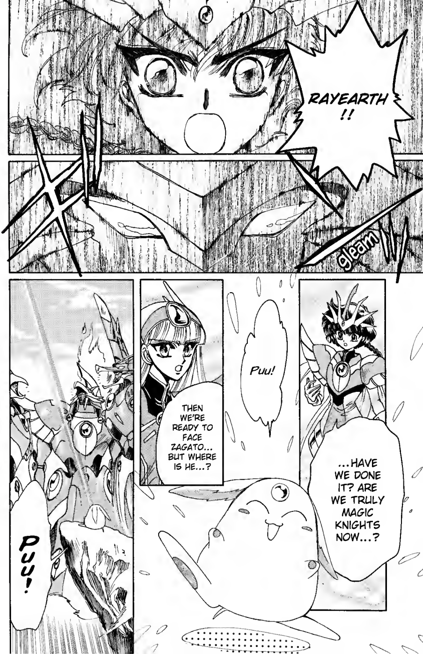

MAGIC KNIGHT, I HAVE SEEN THE STRENGTH OF YOUR FEELINGS.
HO
glow
roarrr
rrrrrrumble

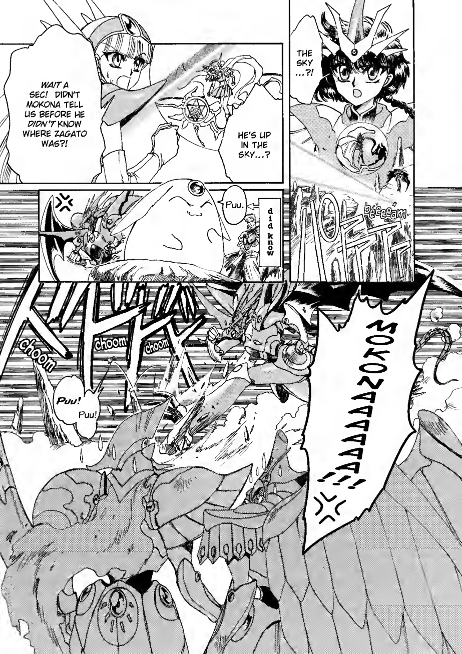

SO THIS IS A MASHIN...
flash
sheen
flinch
veeeen

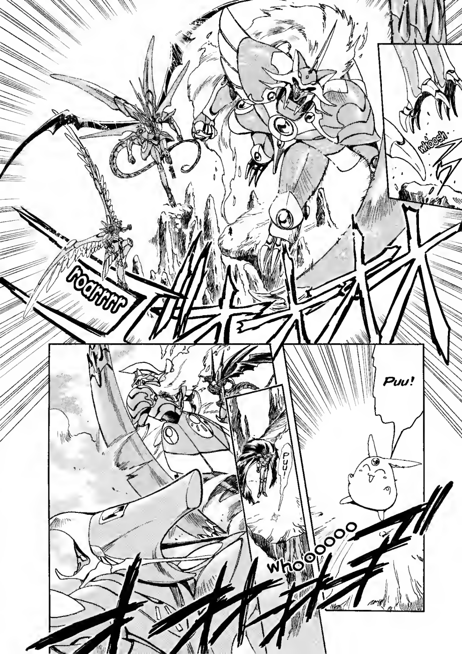

YOUNG WOMEN FROM ANOTHER WORLD, SUMMONED HERE BY CEFIRO'S PILLAR.
NOW DON US...AND BECOME TRUE MAGIC KNIGHTS.
glow
glow
glow

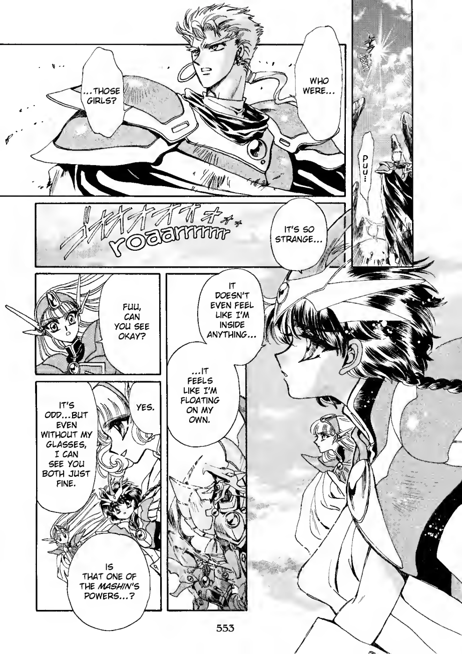

OUR SWORDS...
Flashhhhh
shpp
shpp
shpp
fssshhh
MY GOSH...
...AM I INSIDE THE MASHIN?!

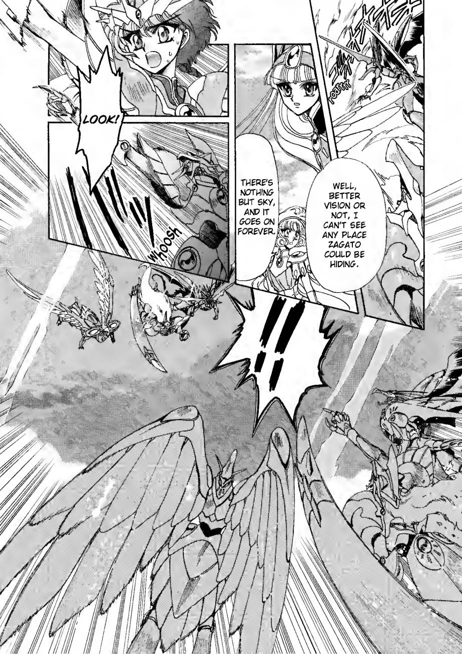

THIS IS WHAT IT MEANS TO BECOME ONE WITH THEM...
CERES!
Swooosh!
WINDOM!
flap

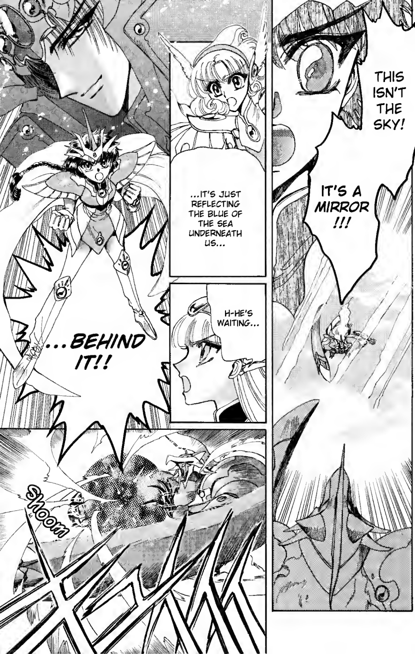

RAYEARTH !!
gleam
...HAVE WE DONE IT? ARE WE TRULY MAGIC KNIGHTS NOW...?
Puu!
THEN WE'RE READY TO FACE ZAGATO... BUT WHERE IS HE...?
Puu!

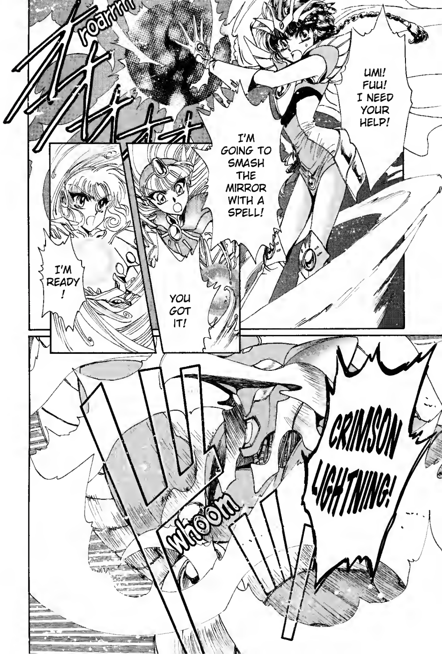

THE SKY ...?!
HE'S UP IN THE SKY...?
WAIT A SEC! DIDN'T MOKONA TELL US BEFORE HE *DIDN'T* KNOW WHERE ZAGATO WAS?!
beeeeam
did know
Puu.
MOKONAAAAAAA!!!!
choom
choom
choom
Puu!
Puu!

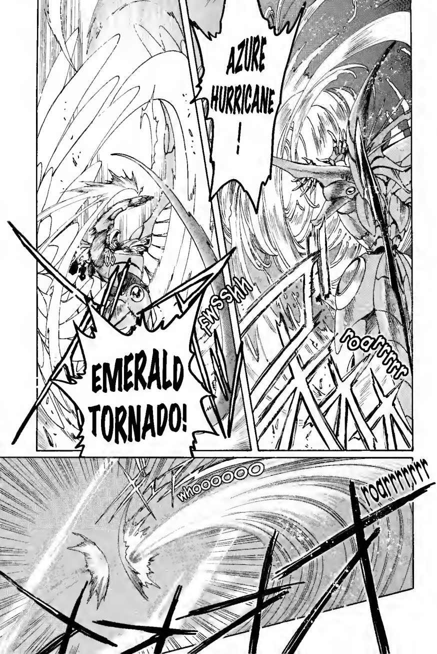

whoosh
roarrrr
Puu!
Puu!
Whoooooo

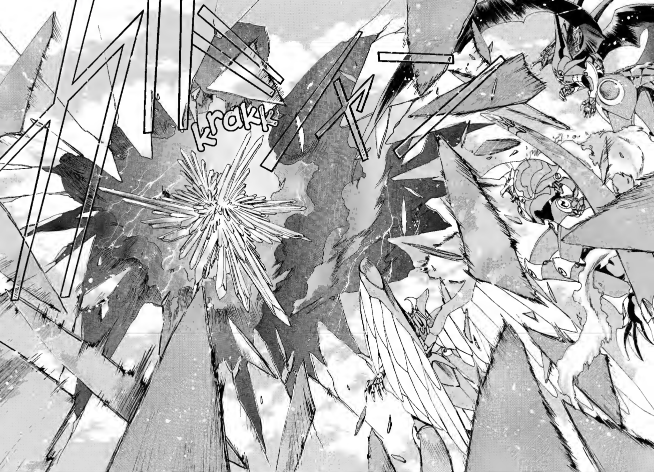

キラ gleam
PUU...
WHO WERE...
...THOSE GIRLS?
ゴオオオオオオ roaarrrrrrr
IT'S SO STRANGE...
IT DOESN'T EVEN FEEL LIKE I'M INSIDE ANYTHING...
...IT FEELS LIKE I'M FLOATING ON MY OWN.
FUU, CAN YOU SEE OKAY?
YES.
IT'S ODD...BUT EVEN WITHOUT MY GLASSES, I CAN SEE YOU BOTH JUST FINE.
IS THAT ONE OF THE *MASHIN*'S POWERS...?

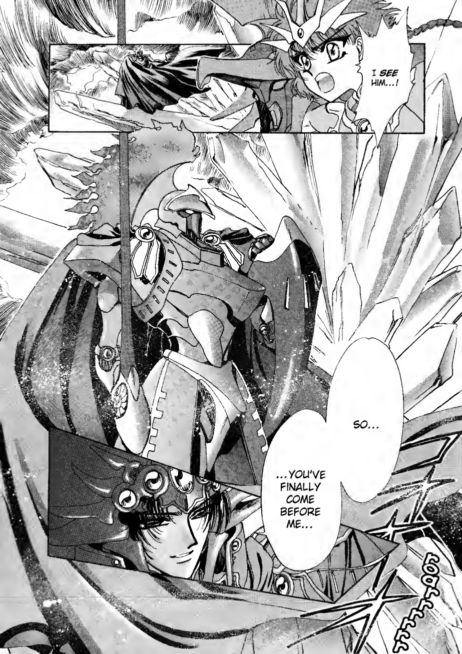

roarrr
WELL, BETTER VISION OR NOT, I CAN'T SEE ANY PLACE ZAGATO COULD BE HIDING.
THERE'S NOTHING BUT SKY, AND IT GOES ON FOREVER.
LOOK!
whoosh

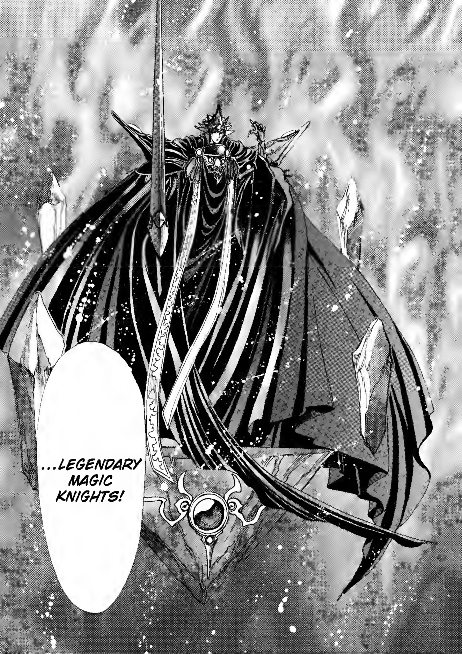

THIS ISN'T THE SKY!
IT'S A MIRROR!!!
...IT'S JUST REFLECTING THE BLUE OF THE SEA UNDERNEATH US...
H-HE'S WAITING...
...BEHIND IT!!
Shoom

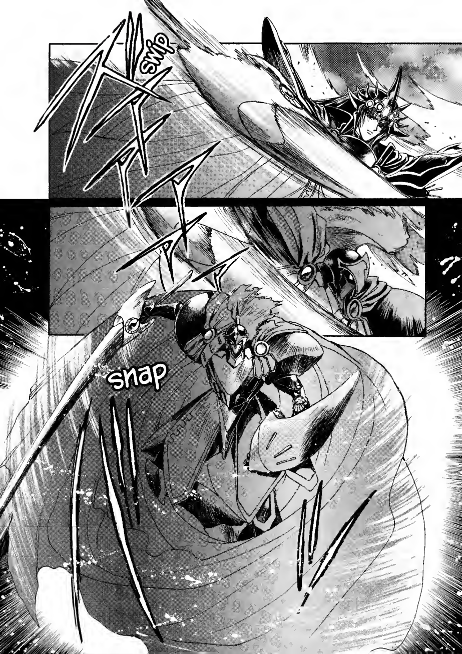

roarrrr
UMI! FUU! I NEED YOUR HELP!
I'M GOING TO SMASH THE MIRROR WITH A SPELL!
YOU GOT IT!
I'M READY!
CRIMSON LIGHTNING!
whoom

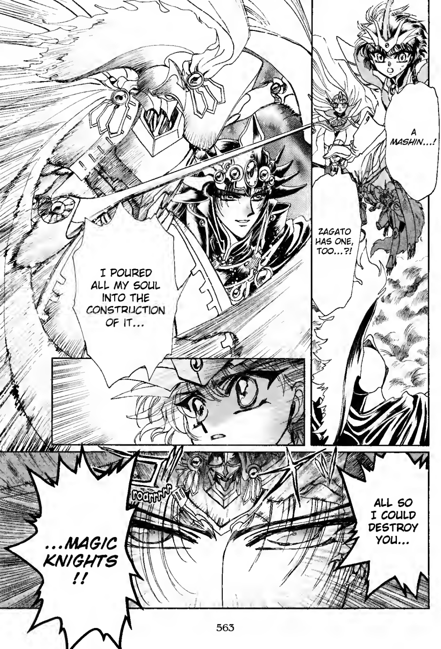

AZURE HURRICANE!
roarrrrr
fwSShh
EMERALD TORNADO!
roarrrrrrr
whoooooo

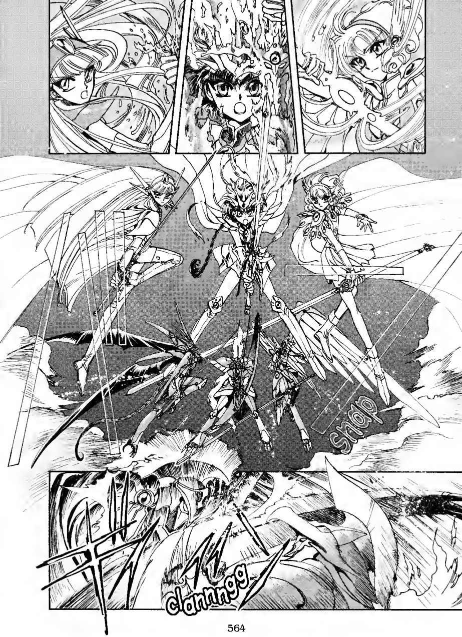

krakk


I *SEE* HIM...!
SO...
...YOU'VE FINALLY COME BEFORE ME...
Roarrrrr


...LEGENDARY MAGIC KNIGHTS!


swip
snap


A MASHIN...!
ZAGATO HAS ONE, TOO...?!
I POURED ALL MY SOUL INTO THE CONSTRUCTION OF IT...
ALL SO I COULD DESTROY YOU...
roarrrr
...MAGIC KNIGHTS!!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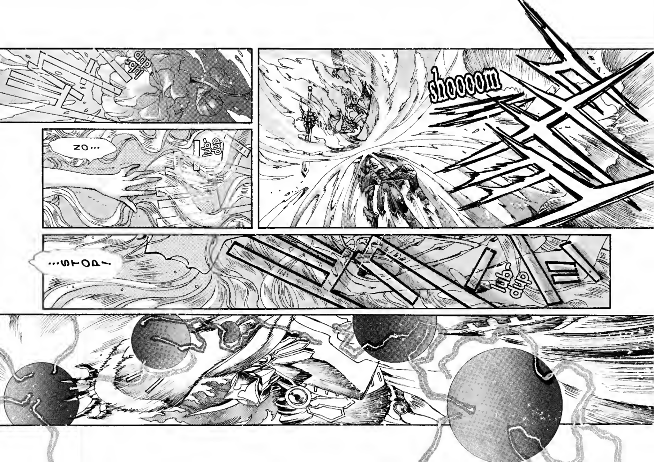
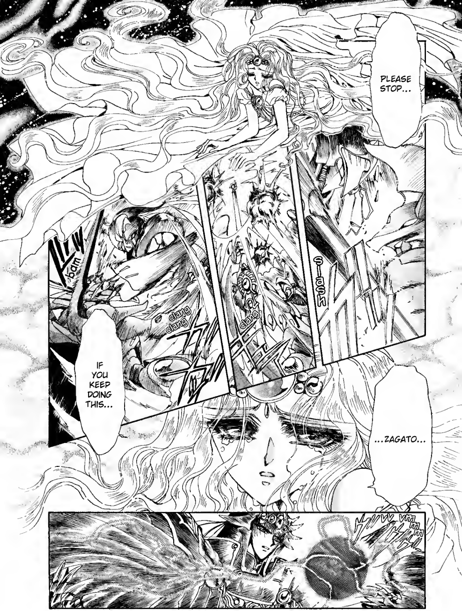
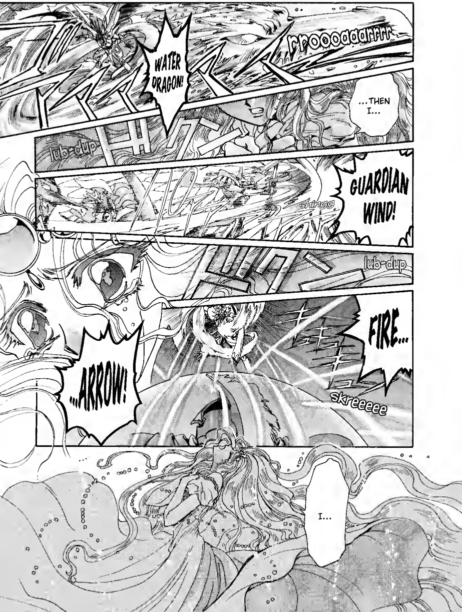
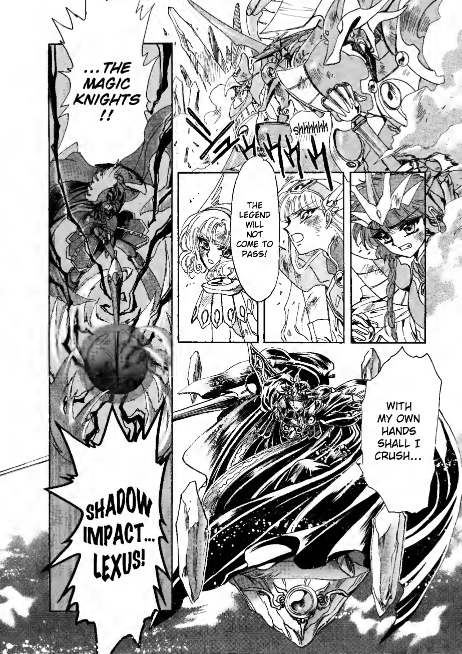
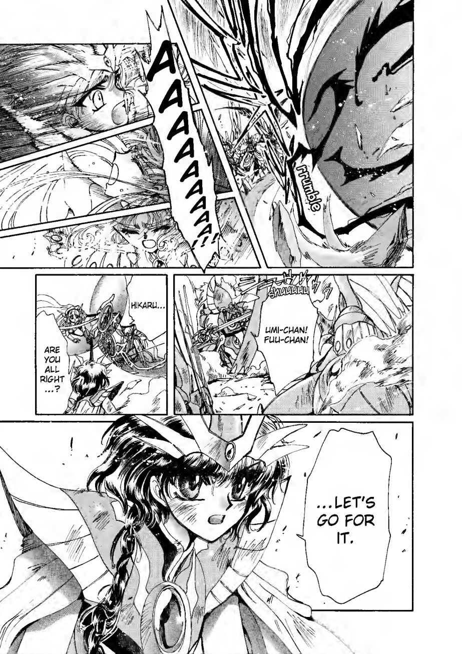
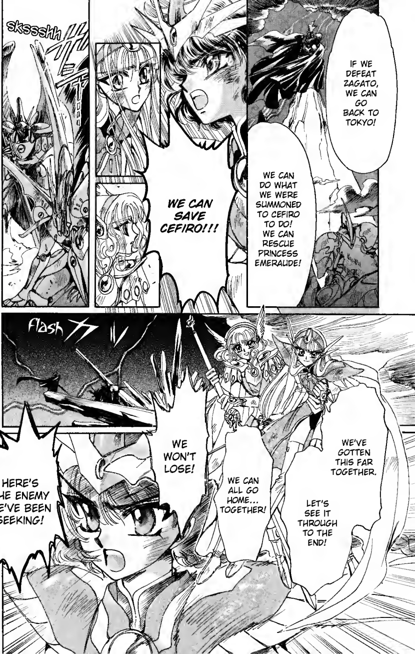

shoooom
lub-dup
lub-dup
NO...
lub-dup
...STOP!

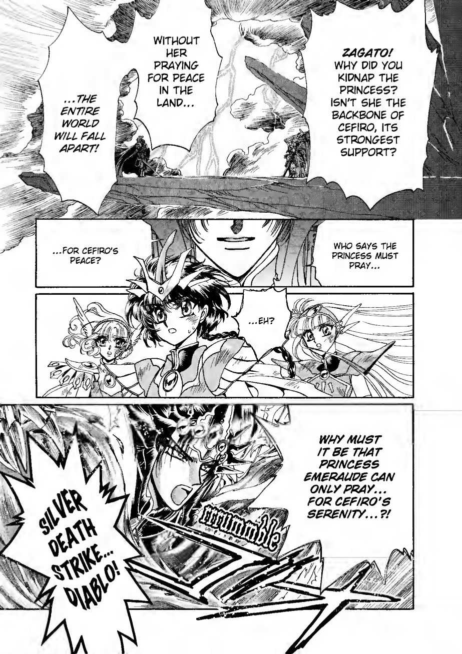

PLEASE STOP...
slash
clang
clang clang
bam
...ZAGATO...
IF YOU KEEP DOING THIS...
vmmm

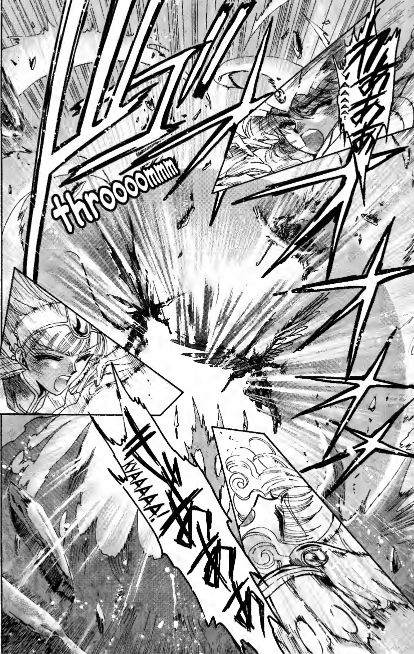

rrooooaaarrrr
WATER DRAGON!
...THEN I...
lub-dup
GUARDIAN WIND!
shingg
lub-dup
FIRE...
skreeeee
...ARROW!
I...
...

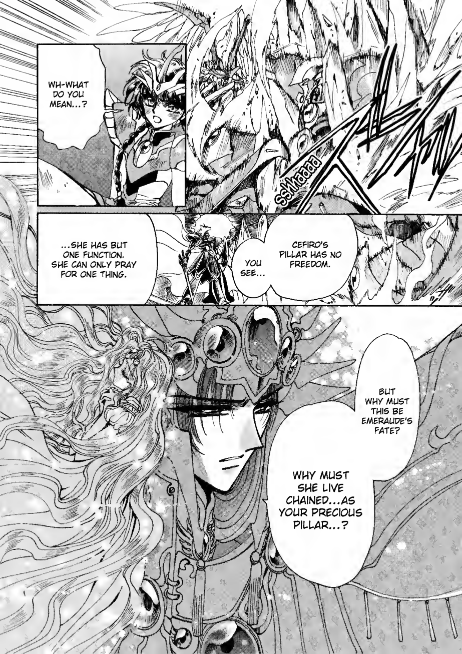

shhhhhh
...THE MAGIC KNIGHTS !!
THE LEGEND WILL NOT COME TO PASS!
WITH MY OWN HANDS SHALL I CRUSH...
SHADOW IMPACT... LEXUS!

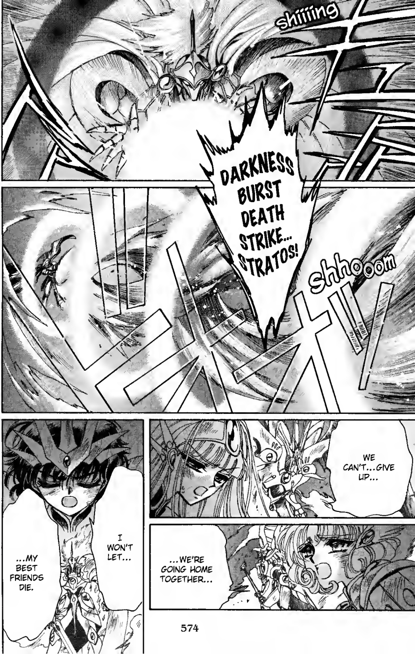

rrumble
AAAAAAAAA!!!
shuuuuuu
UMI-CHAN! FUU-CHAN!
HIKARU...
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT ...?
...LET'S GO FOR IT.

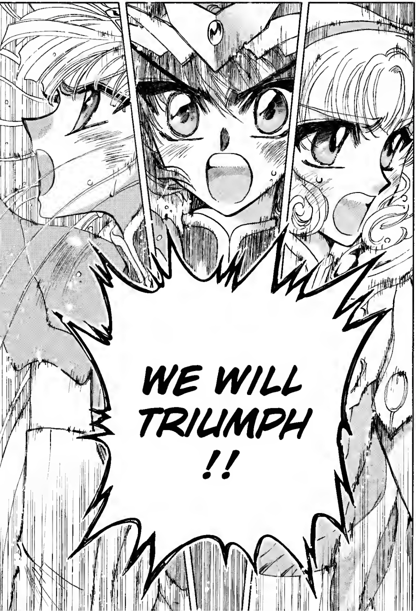

IF WE DEFEAT ZAGATO, WE CAN GO BACK TO TOKYO!
WE CAN DO WHAT WE WERE SUMMONED TO CEFIRO TO DO! WE CAN RESCUE PRINCESS EMERAUDE!
WE CAN SAVE CEFIRO!!!
sksssshh
Flash
WE'VE GOTTEN THIS FAR TOGETHER.
LET'S SEE IT THROUGH TO THE END!
WE CAN ALL GO HOME... TOGETHER!
WE WON'T LOSE!
HERE'S THE ENEMY WE'VE BEEN SEEKING!

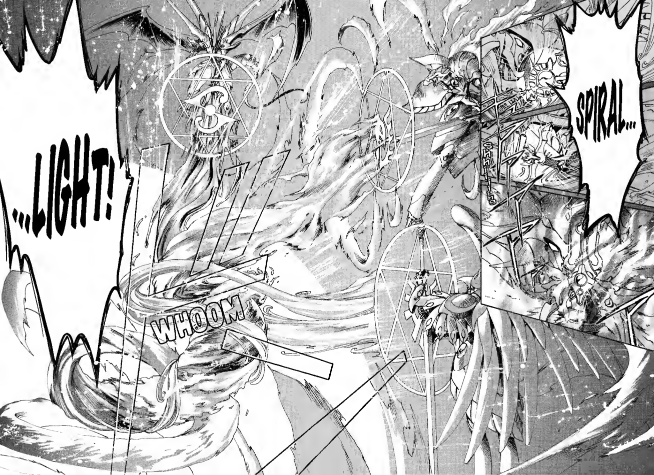

ZAGATO! WHY DID YOU KIDNAP THE PRINCESS? ISN'T SHE THE BACKBONE OF CEFIRO, ITS STRONGEST SUPPORT?
WITHOUT HER PRAYING FOR PEACE IN THE LAND...
...THE ENTIRE WORLD WILL FALL APART!
WHO SAYS THE PRINCESS MUST PRAY...
...FOR CEFIRO'S PEACE?
...EH?
WHY MUST IT BE THAT PRINCESS EMERAUDE CAN ONLY PRAY... FOR CEFIRO'S SERENITY...?!
rrrumble
SILVER DEATH STRIKE... DIABLO!


わあああ
YAAAAA!
throooommm
きゃあああ
KYAAAAA!

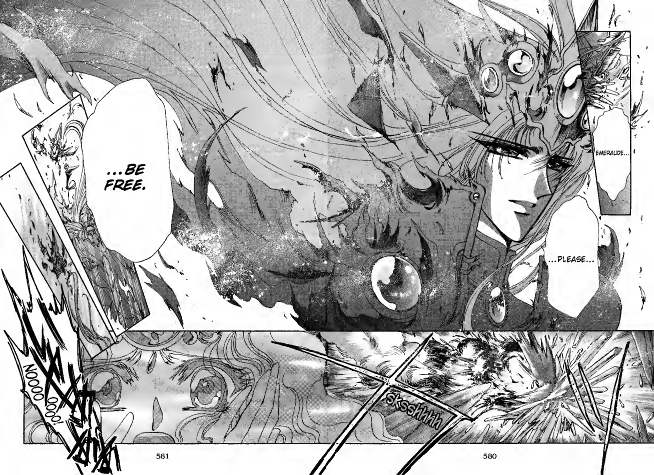

WH-WHAT DO YOU MEAN...?
sshaaaa
CEFIRO'S PILLAR HAS NO FREEDOM.
YOU SEE...
...SHE HAS BUT ONE FUNCTION. SHE CAN ONLY PRAY FOR ONE THING.
BUT WHY MUST THIS BE EMERAUDE'S FATE?
WHY MUST SHE LIVE CHAINED...AS YOUR PRECIOUS PILLAR...?

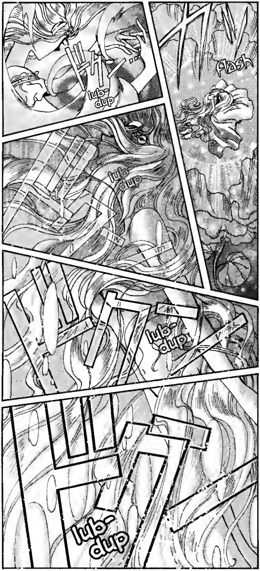

shiiiing
DARKNESS BURST DEATH STRIKE... STRATOS!
shhoooom
WE CAN'T...GIVE UP...
...WE'RE GOING HOME TOGETHER...
I WON'T LET...
...MY BEST FRIENDS DIE.


WE WILL TRIUMPH !!


SPIRAL...
Shhiiiiing
...LIGHT!
WHOOM

whooooom


EMERALIDE...
...PLEASE...
...BE FREE.
skssHhhh
NOOOO OOO!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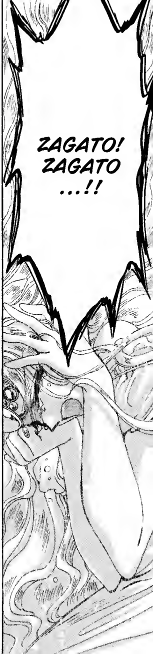
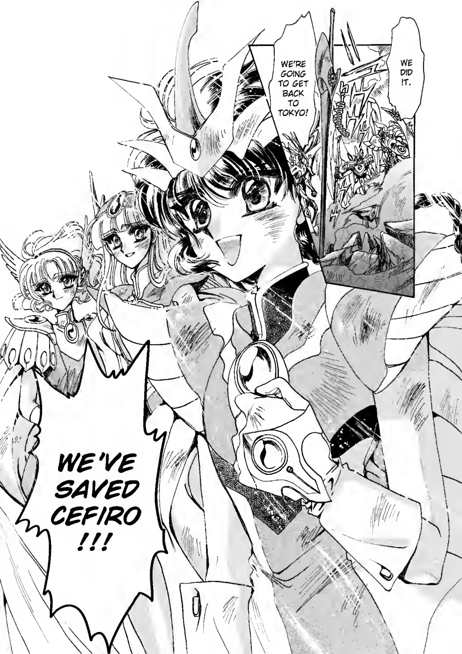
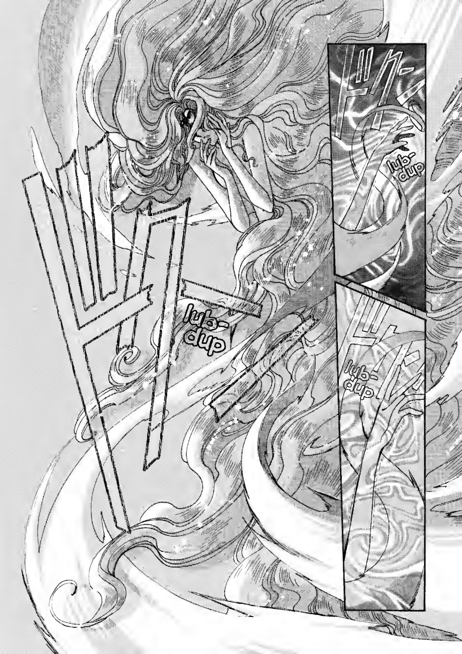

ZAGATO! ZAGATO ...!!


WE DID IT.
WE'RE GOING TO GET BACK TO TOKYO!
WE'VE SAVED CEFIRO!!!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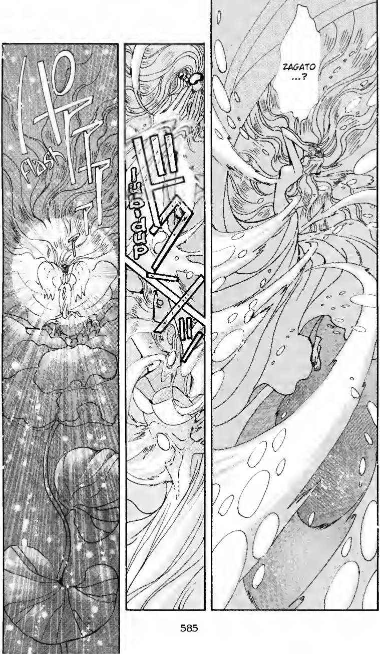
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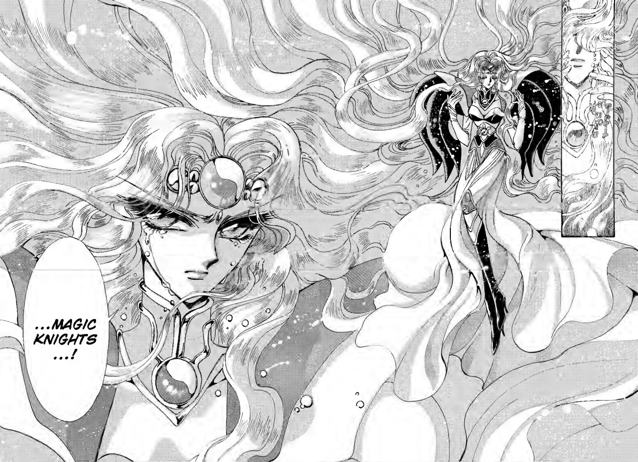
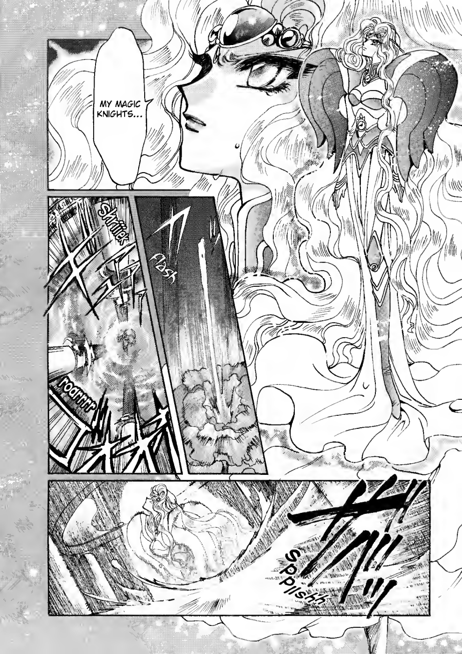

RIPPIP
...MAGIC KNIGHTS ...!


MY MAGIC KNIGHTS...
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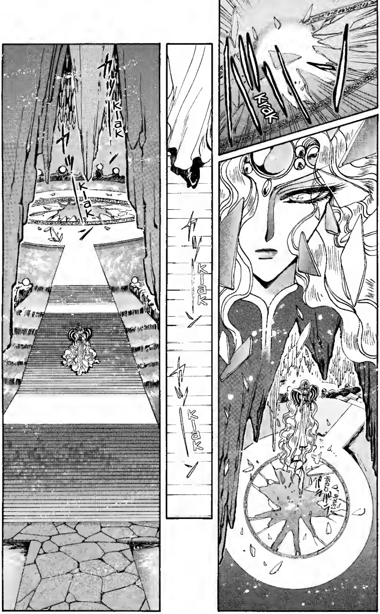
Skriiiek
roarrrr
sppllshh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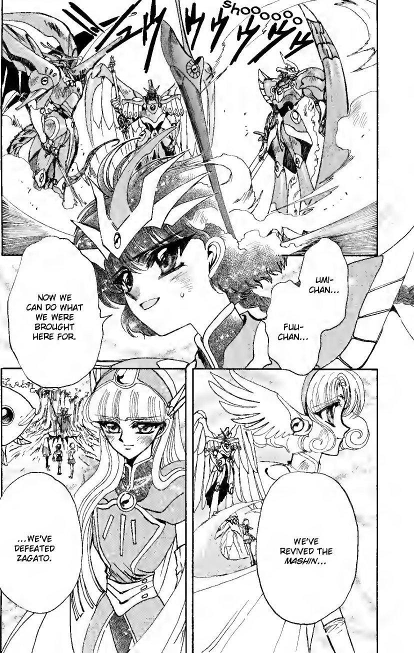
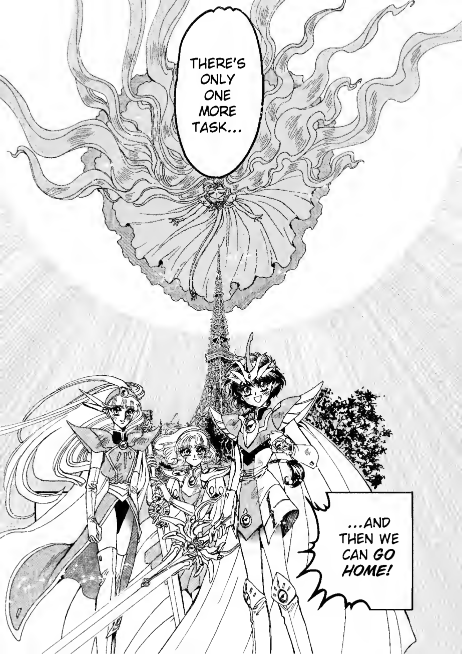
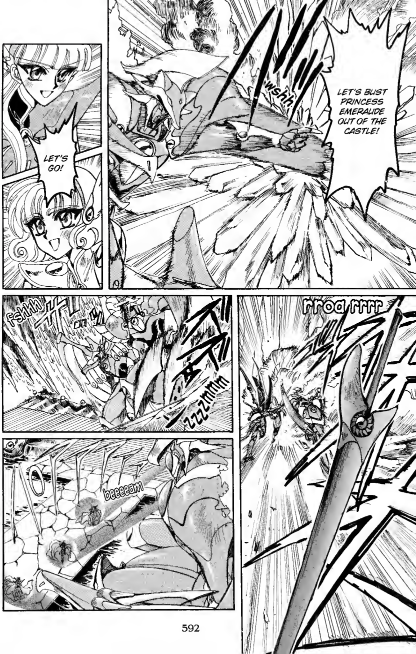
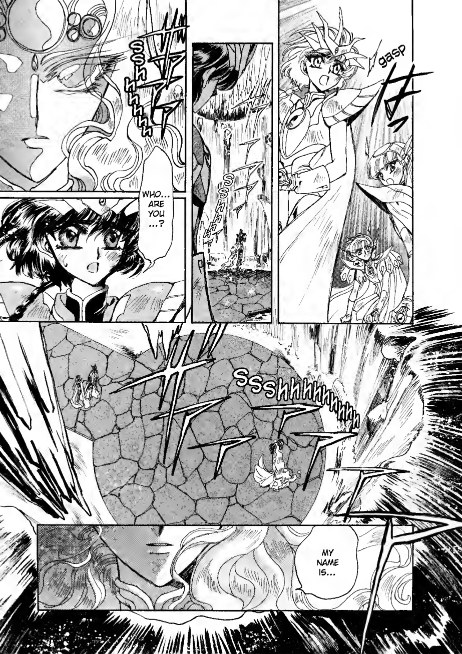

shoooooo
UMI-CHAN...
FUU-CHAN...
NOW WE CAN DO WHAT WE WERE BROUGHT HERE FOR.
WE'VE REVIVED THE *MASHIN*...
...WE'VE DEFEATED ZAGATO.


THERE'S ONLY ONE MORE TASK...
...AND THEN WE CAN *GO HOME!*


LET'S BUST PRINCESS EMERAUDE OUT OF THE CASTLE!
wshh
LET'S GO!
rroa rrrr
fshhh
zzzzmmm
beeeeam


gasp
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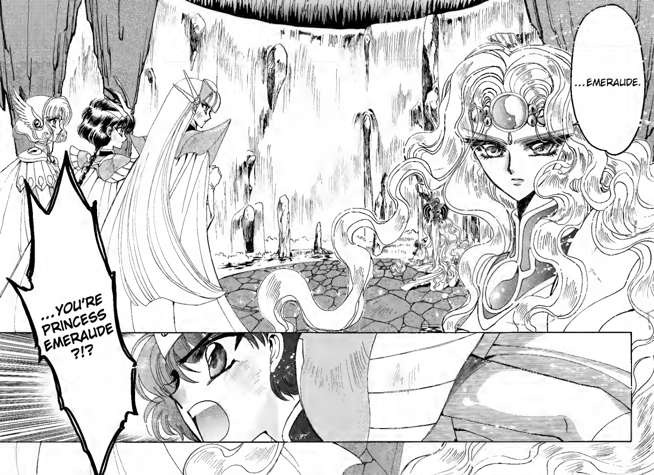
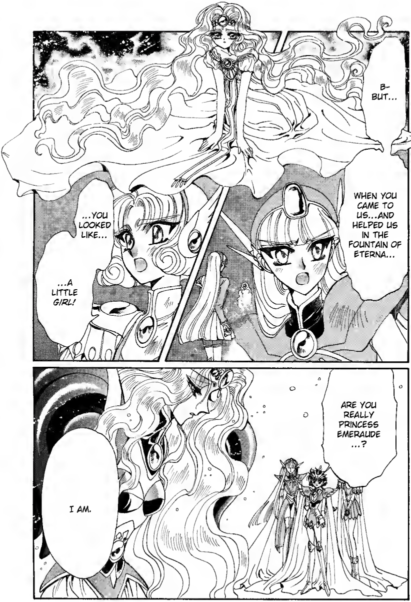
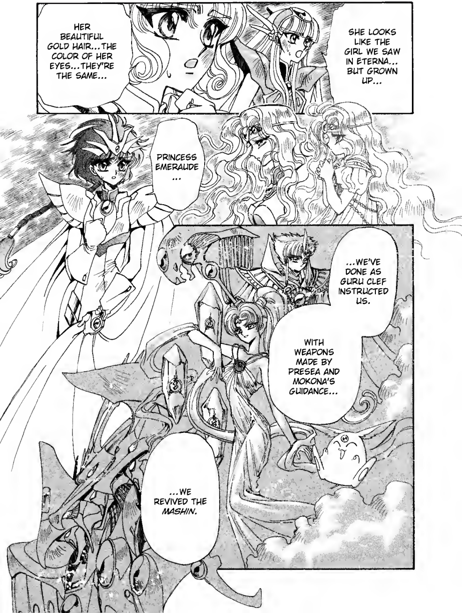
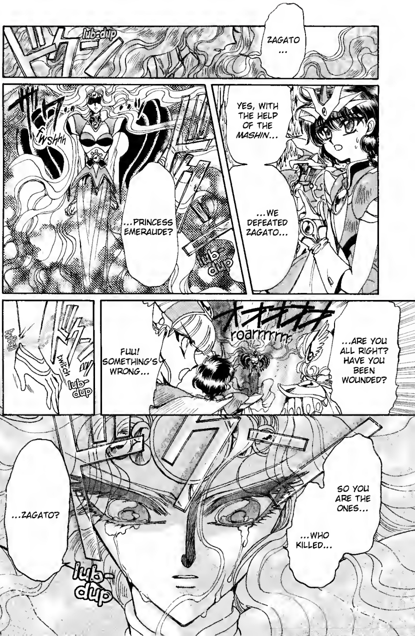
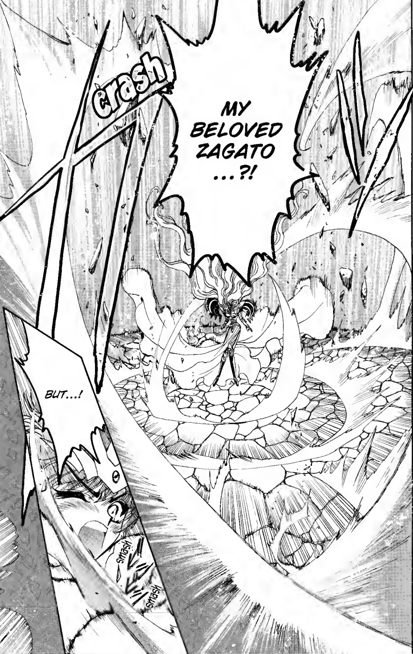
Sshhhhh
sshhhhhh
WHO... ARE YOU ...?
Ssshhhhhhhhhh
MY NAME IS...

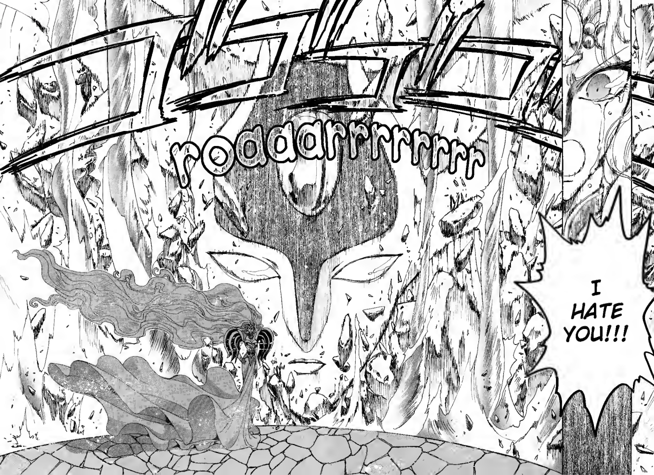

...EMERAUDE.
...YOU'RE PRINCESS EMERAUDE ?!?


B- BUT...
WHEN YOU CAME TO US...AND HELPED US IN THE FOUNTAIN OF ETERNA...
...YOU LOOKED LIKE...
...A LITTLE *GIRL!*
ARE YOU REALLY PRINCESS EMERAUDE ...?
I AM.


SHE LOOKS LIKE THE GIRL WE SAW IN ETERNA... BUT GROWN UP...
HER BEAUTIFUL GOLD HAIR...THE COLOR OF HER EYES...THEY'RE THE SAME...
PRINCESS EMERAUDE ...
...WE'VE DONE AS GURU CLEF INSTRUCTED US.
WITH WEAPONS MADE BY PRESEA AND MOKONA'S GUIDANCE...
...WE REVIVED THE *MASHIN.*


ZAGATO …
lub-dup
YES, WITH THE HELP OF THE *MASHIN*…
…WE DEFEATED ZAGATO…
…PRINCESS EMERAUDE?
fwshhh
lub-dup
…ARE YOU ALL RIGHT? HAVE YOU BEEN WOUNDED?
roarrrrrr
FUU! SOMETHING'S WRONG…
twitch
twitch
lub-dup
SO YOU ARE THE ONES…
…WHO KILLED…
…ZAGATO?
lub-dup


MY BELOVED ZAGATO ...?!
crash
BUT...!
smash
smash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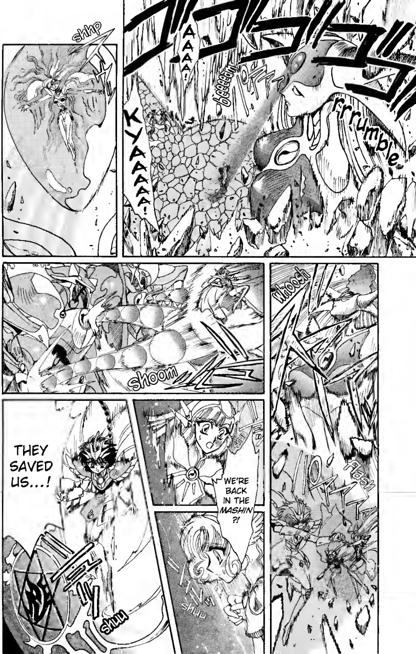
I HATE YOU!!!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rrrumble
パァァァ
bzeeeem
AAAA!
KYAAAAAA!
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whoosh
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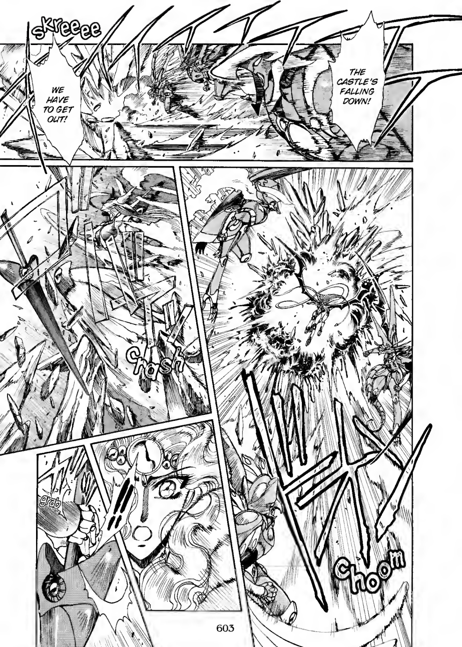
パァァァ
WE'RE BACK IN THE *MASHIN* ?!
shuu
THEY SAVED US...!
shuu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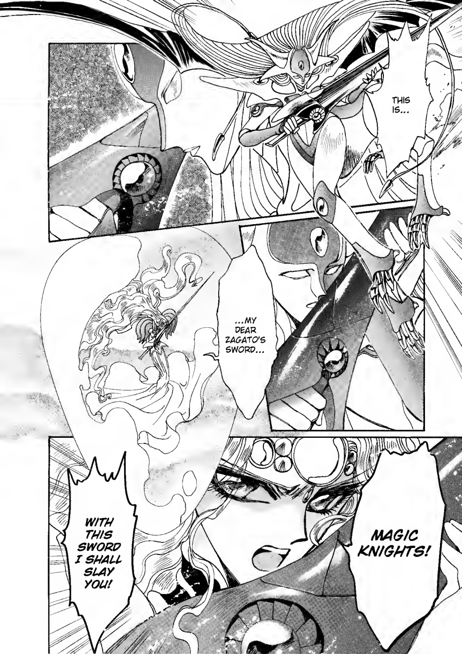
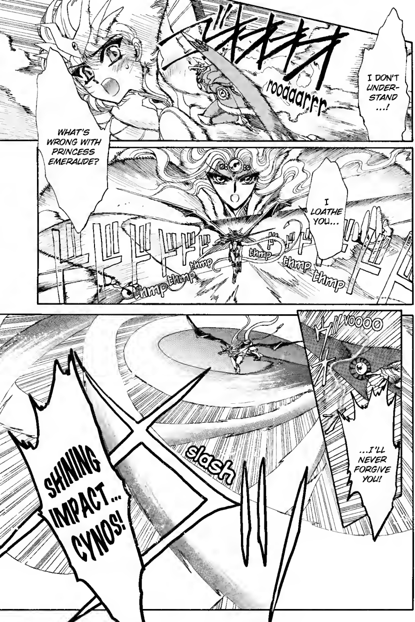
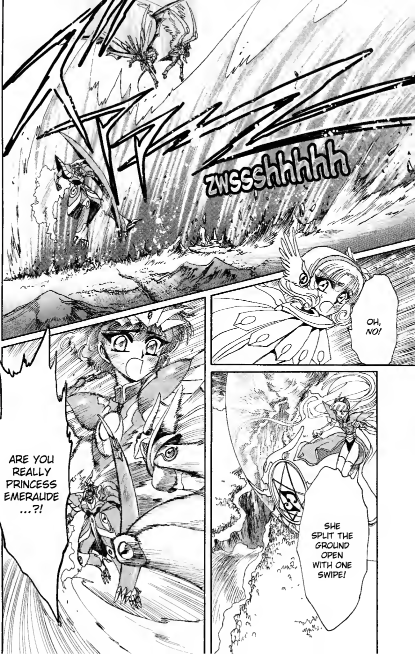
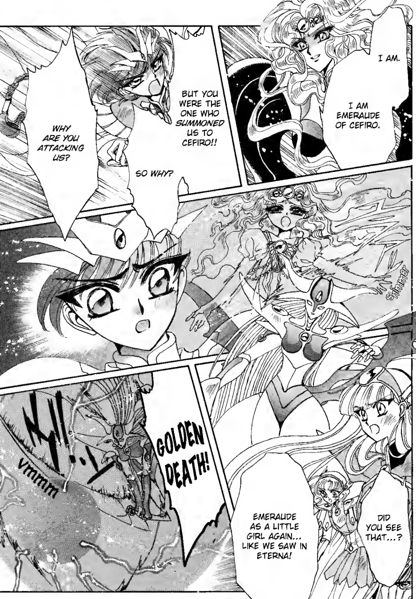
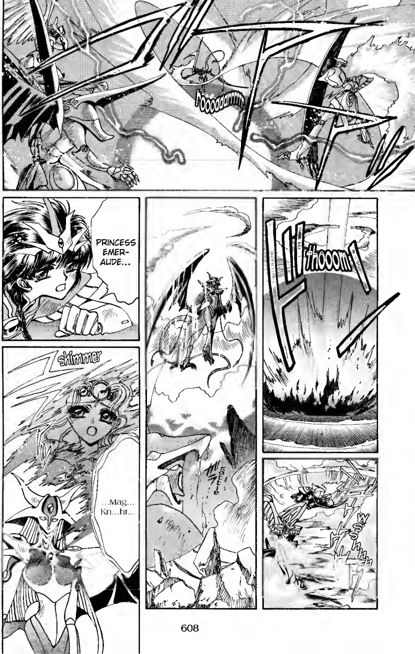
THE CASTLE'S FALLING DOWN!
WE HAVE TO GET OUT!
Crash
grab
!!
Choom

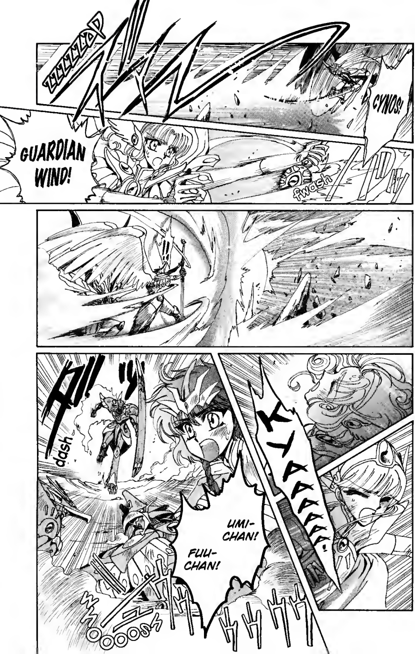

THIS IS...
...MY DEAR ZAGATO'S SWORD...
MAGIC KNIGHTS!
WITH THIS SWORD I SHALL SLAY YOU!

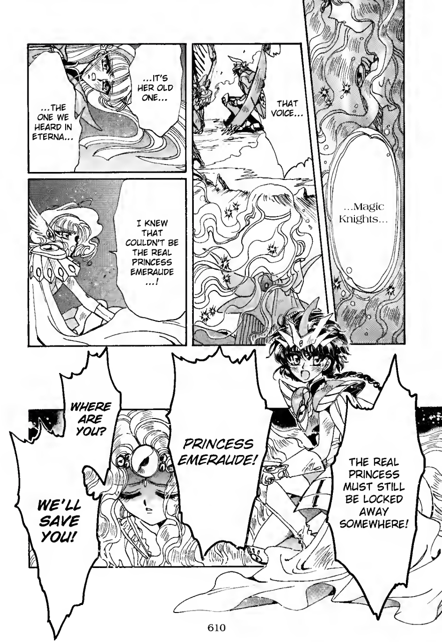

I DON'T UNDERSTAND...!
rooaaarrr
WHAT'S WRONG WITH PRINCESS EMERAUDE?
I LOATHE YOU...
thmp thmp thmp thmp thmp thmp thmp
VOOOO
...I'LL NEVER FORGIVE YOU!
slash
SHINING IMPACT... CYNOS!

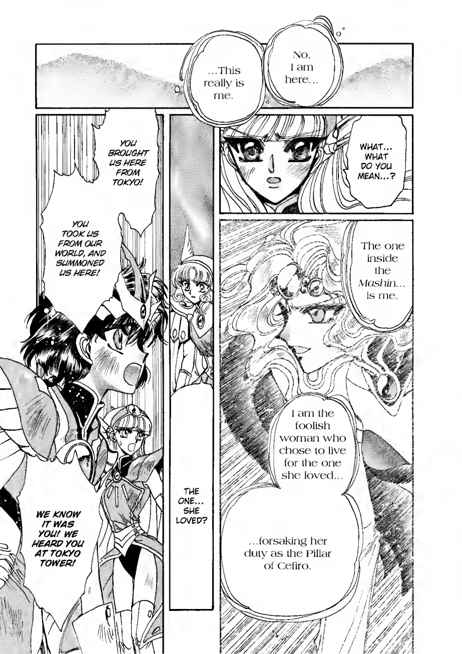

zwssshhhhh
OH, *NO!*
SHE SPLIT THE GROUND OPEN WITH ONE SWIPE!
ARE YOU REALLY PRINCESS EMERAUDE ...?!

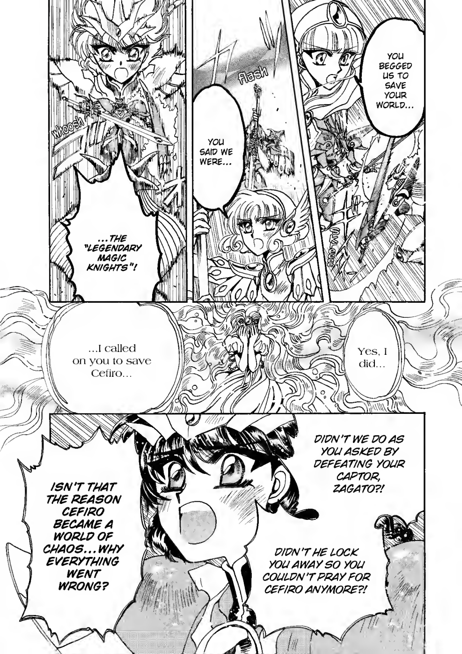

I AM.
I AM EMERAUDE OF CEFIRO.
BUT YOU WERE THE ONE WHO *SUMMONED* US TO CEFIRO!!
SO WHY?
WHY ARE YOU ATTACKING US?
Shimmer
DID YOU SEE THAT...?
EMERAUDE AS A LITTLE GIRL AGAIN... LIKE WE SAW IN ETERNA!
GOLDEN DEATH!
Vmmm

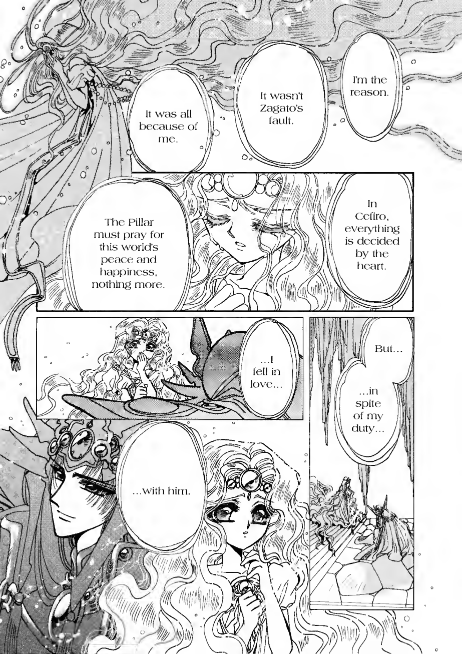

hoooaarrrrr
thooom
PRINCESS EMERAUDE...
wshhhh
rattle
shimmer
...Mag... Kn...ht...

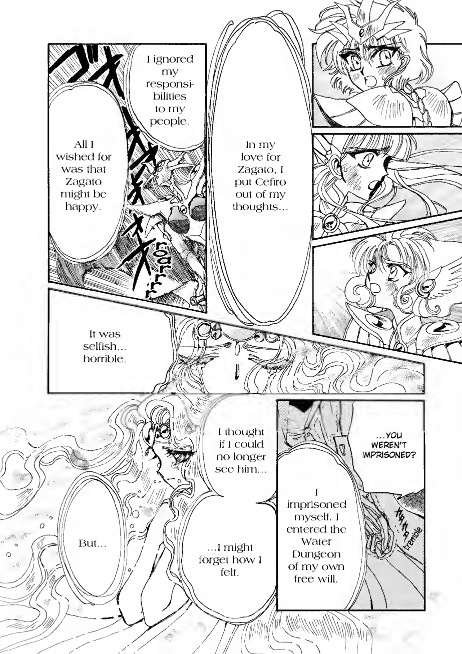

CYNOS!
ZZZZZAP
GUARDIAN WIND!
fwash
KYAAAAAA!
UMI-CHAN!
FUU-CHAN!
dash
WHOOOSH

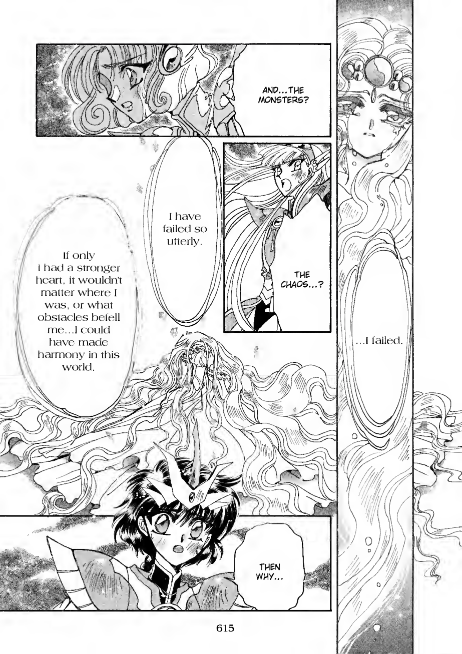

...Magic Knights...
THAT VOICE...
...IT'S HER OLD ONE...
...THE ONE WE HEARD IN ETERNA...
I KNEW THAT COULDN'T BE THE REAL PRINCESS EMERAUDE ...!
THE REAL PRINCESS MUST STILL BE LOCKED AWAY SOMEWHERE!
PRINCESS EMERAUDE!
WHERE ARE YOU?
WE'LL SAVE YOU!

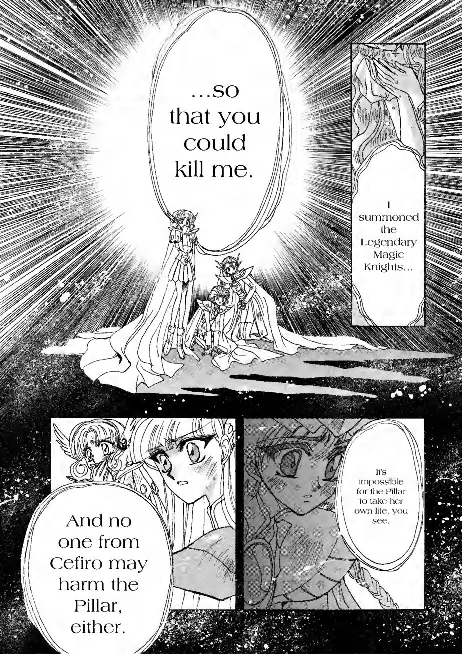

No, I am here...
...This really is me.
YOU BROUGHT US HERE FROM TOKYO!
YOU TOOK US FROM OUR WORLD, AND SUMMONED US HERE!
WE KNOW IT WAS YOU! WE HEARD YOU AT TOKYO TOWER!
WHAT... WHAT DO YOU MEAN...?
The one inside the *Mashin*... is me.
I am the foolish woman who chose to live for the one she loved...
THE ONE... SHE LOVED?
...forsaking her duty as the Pillar of Cefiro.

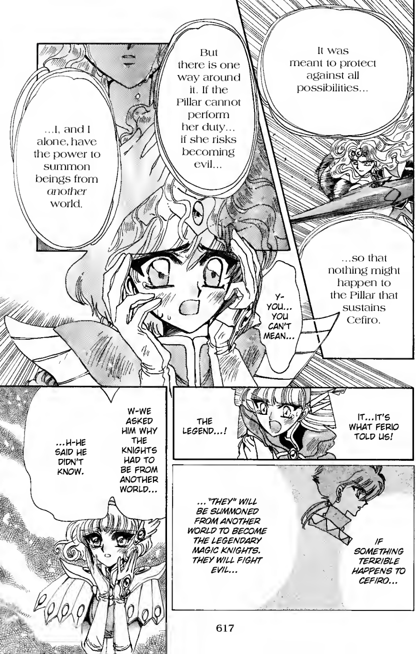

YOU BEGGED US TO SAVE YOUR WORLD...
Shleeee
flash
YOU SAID WE WERE...
whoosh
...THE "LEGENDARY MAGIC KNIGHTS"!
Yes, I did...
...I called on you to save Cefiro...
DIDN'T WE DO AS YOU ASKED BY DEFEATING YOUR CAPTOR, ZAGATO?!
DIDN'T HE LOCK YOU AWAY SO YOU COULDN'T PRAY FOR CEFIRO ANYMORE?!
ISN'T THAT THE REASON CEFIRO BECAME A WORLD OF CHAOS...WHY EVERYTHING WENT WRONG?

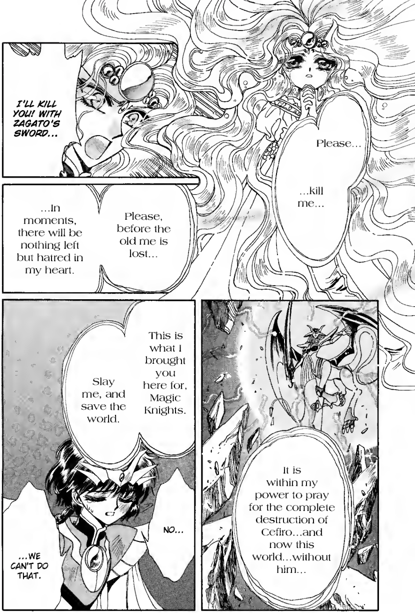

I'm the reason.
It wasn't Zagato's fault.
It was all because of me.
In Cefiro, everything is decided by the heart.
The Pillar must pray for this world's peace and happiness, nothing more.
But...
...in spite of my duty...
...I fell in love...
...with him.

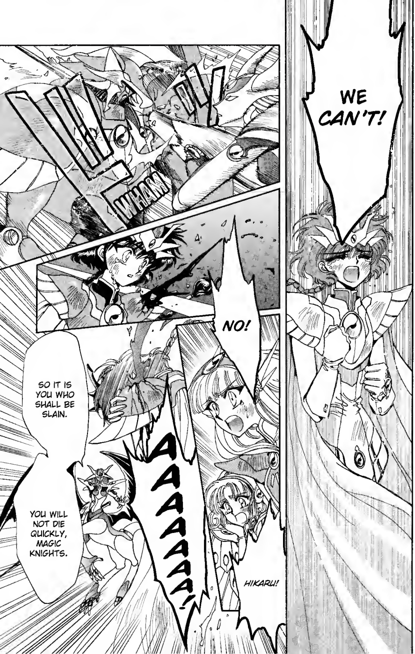

In my love for Zagato, I put Cefiro out of my thoughts...
I ignored my responsibilities to my people.
All I wished for was that Zagato might be happy.
ゴオオオオ
roarrrr
It was selfish... horrible.
...YOU WEREN'T IMPRISONED?
I imprisoned myself. I entered the Water Dungeon of my own free will.
tremble
I thought if I could no longer see him...
...I might forget how I felt.
But...

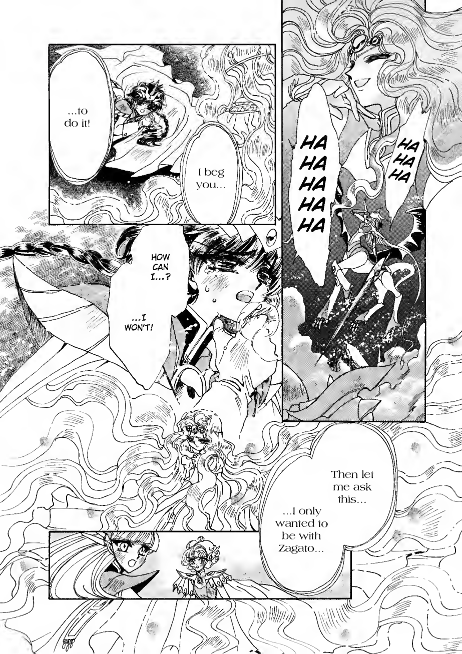

AND...THE MONSTERS?
THE CHAOS...?
I have failed so utterly.
If only I had a stronger heart, it wouldn't matter where I was, or what obstacles befell me...I could have made harmony in this world.
...I failed.
THEN WHY...

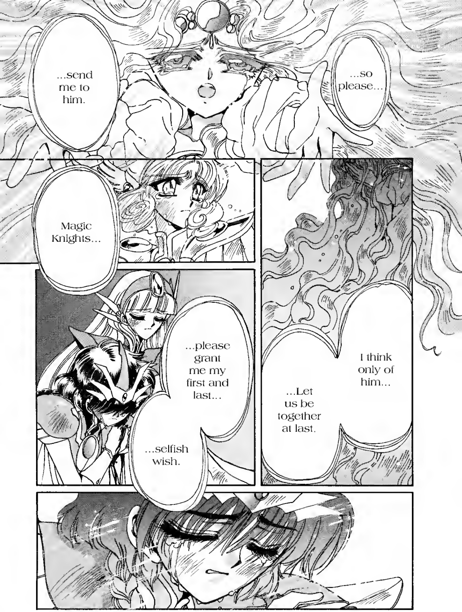

I summoned the Legendary Magic Knights...
...so that you could kill me.
It's impossible for the Pillar to take her own life, you see.
And no one from Cefiro may harm the Pillar, either.

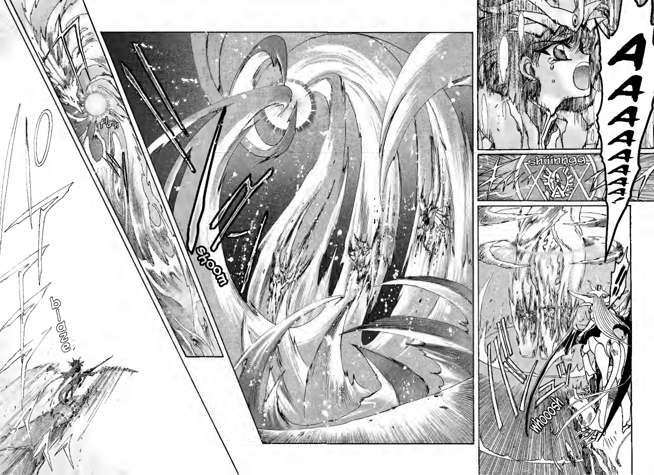

It was meant to protect against all possibilities...
...so that nothing might happen to the Pillar that sustains Cefiro.
But there is one way around it. If the Pillar cannot perform her duty... if she risks becoming evil...
...I, and I alone, have the power to summon beings from *another* world.
Y-YOU... YOU CAN'T MEAN...
IT...IT'S WHAT FERIO TOLD US!
THE LEGEND...!
W-WE ASKED HIM WHY THE KNIGHTS HAD TO BE FROM ANOTHER WORLD...
...H-HE SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW.
IF SOMETHING TERRIBLE HAPPENS TO CEFIRO...
... "THEY" WILL BE SUMMONED FROM ANOTHER WORLD TO BECOME THE LEGENDARY MAGIC KNIGHTS. THEY WILL FIGHT EVIL...


Please...
...kill me...
I'LL KILL YOU! WITH ZAGATO'S SWORD...
Please, before the old me is lost...
...In moments, there will be nothing left but hatred in my heart.
It is within my power to pray for the complete destruction of Cefiro...and now this world...without him...
This is what I brought you here for, Magic Knights.
Slay me, and save the world.
NO...
...WE CAN'T DO THAT.


WE CAN'T!
WHAM
NO!
SO IT IS YOU WHO SHALL BE SLAIN.
YOU WILL NOT DIE QUICKLY, MAGIC KNIGHTS.
AAAAAAA!
HIKARU!


I beg you...
...to do it!
HOW CAN I...?
...I WON'T!
HA HA HA
HA HA HA HA HA
Then let me ask this...
...I only wanted to be with Zagato...


...so please...
...send me to him.
I think only of him...
...Let us be together at last.
Magic Knights...
...please grant me my first and last...
...selfish wish.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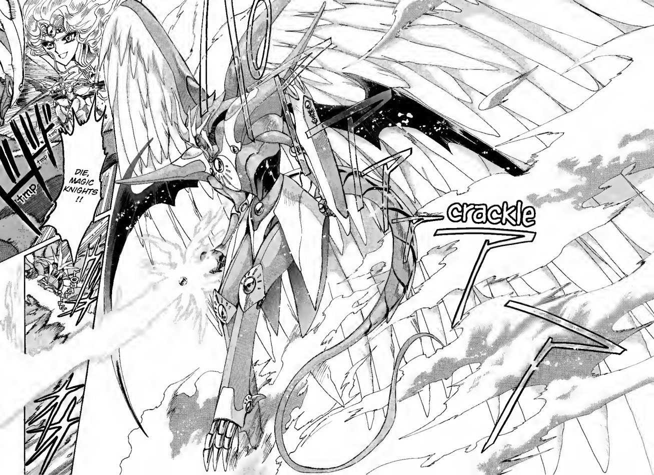
whooosh
shoom
flash
blaze


crackle
DIE, MAGIC KNIGHTS !!
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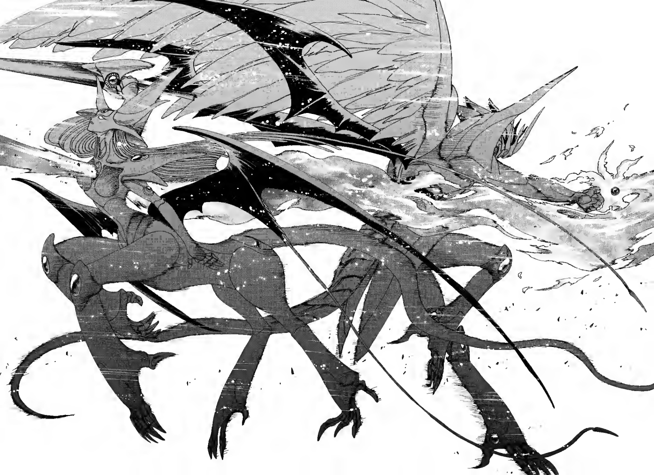
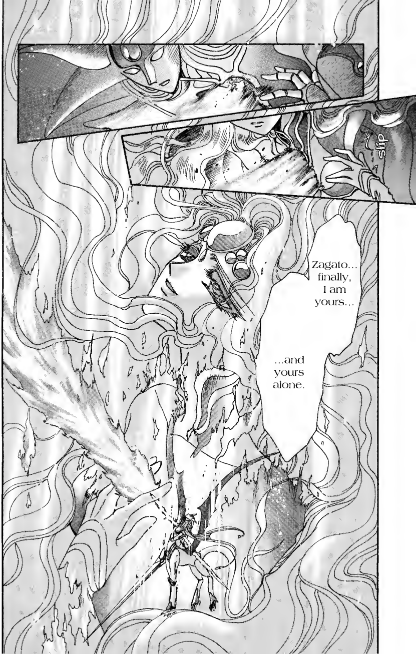
tmp
tmp
roaarrr

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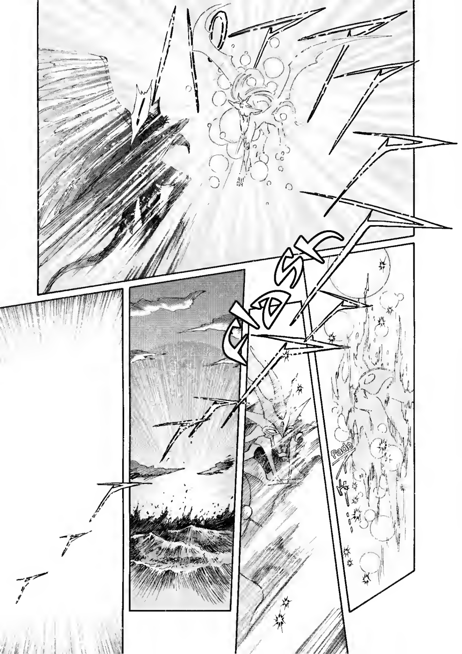
Zagato... finally, I am yours...
...and yours alone.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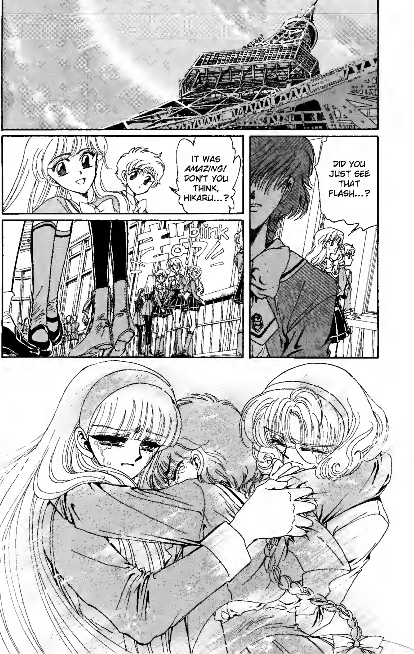
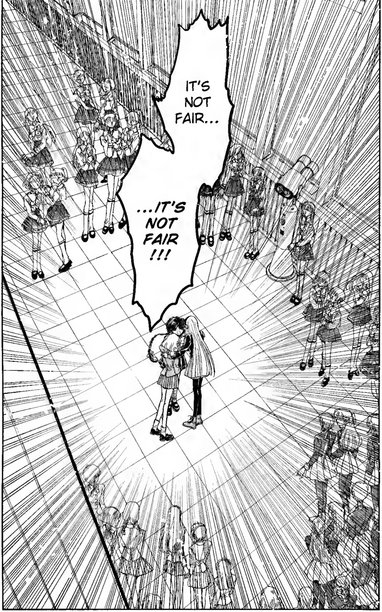

IT WAS *AMAZING!* DON'T YOU THINK, HIKARU...?
ぎょっ!!
blink
DID YOU JUST SEE THAT FLASH...?


IT'S NOT FAIR...
...IT'S NOT FAIR !!!

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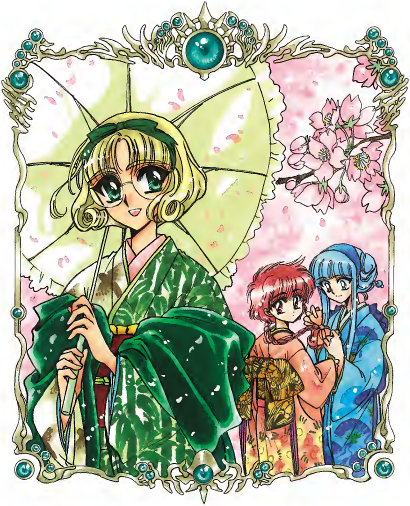
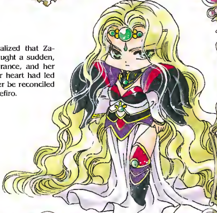


MAGIC KNIGHT RAYEARTH CHARACTER PROFILES

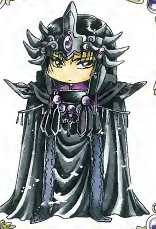
NAME: Princess Emeraude

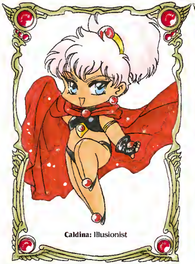
When Princess Emeraude realized that Zagato was dead, the news brought a sudden, tragic maturity to her appearance, and her understanding of the fate her heart had led her to—a fate that could never be reconciled with her duty as the Pillar of Cefiro.



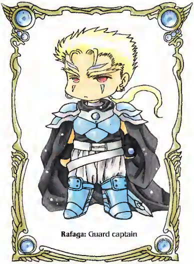
NAME: Lord Zagato

High Priest of Cefiro, he always aided Emeraude's power, so that there might be none who hurt or hindered her prayers. For the love of Emeraude, and for his own heart, he becomes the adversary of the Magic Knights, allowing them to believe he is responsible for her imprisonment.

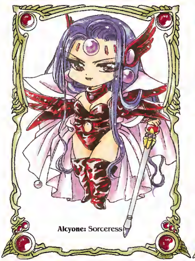




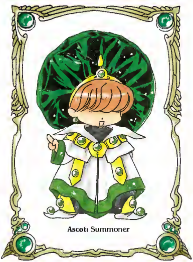
Caldina: Illusionist



Rafaga: Guard captain



Alcyone: Sorceress



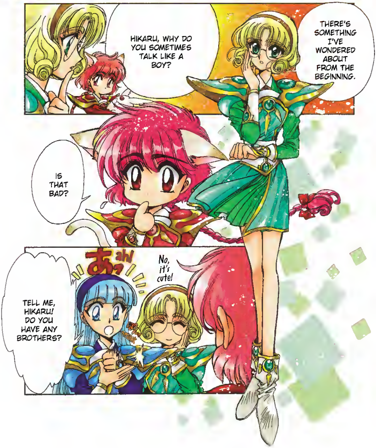
Ascot: Summoner

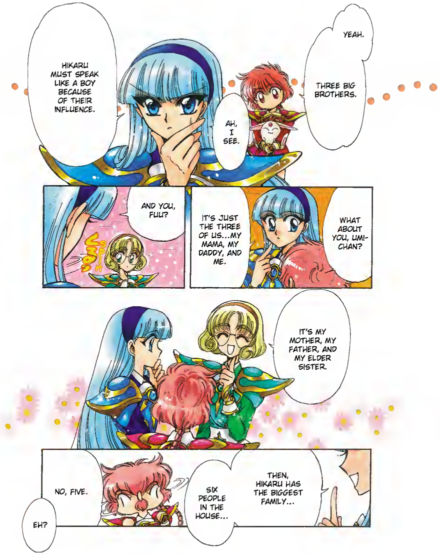
MAGIC KNIGHT RAYEARTH CHARACTER PROFILES

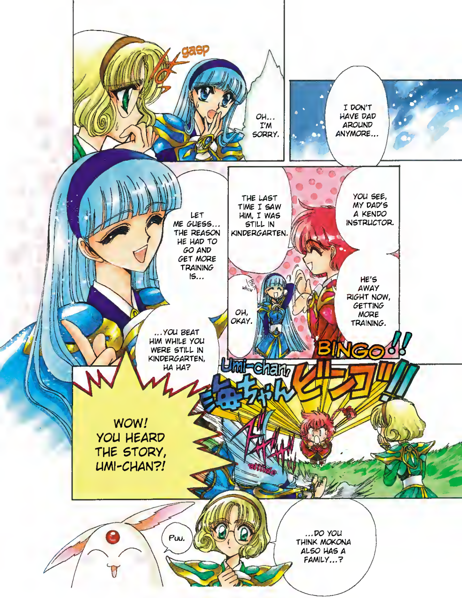
BONUS STAGE 3

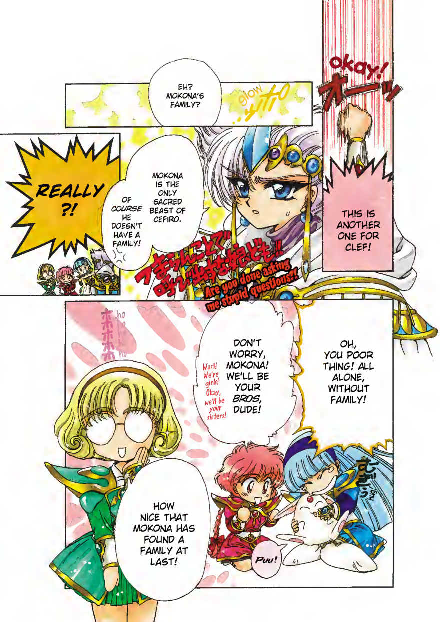
The Secrets of Mokona

Q: What are Hikaru, Umi, and Fuu's families like?


THERE'S SOMETHING I'VE WONDERED ABOUT FROM THE BEGINNING.
HIKARU, WHY DO YOU SOMETIMES TALK LIKE A BOY?
IS THAT BAD?
No, it's cute!
あっ ah
TELL ME, HIKARU! DO YOU HAVE ANY BROTHERS?


YEAH.
THREE BIG BROTHERS.
AH, I SEE.
HIKARU MUST SPEAK LIKE A BOY BECAUSE OF THEIR INFLUENCE.
WHAT ABOUT YOU, UMI-CHAN?
IT'S JUST THE THREE OF US...MY MAMA, MY DADDY, AND ME.
AND YOU, FUU?
SPIN
IT'S MY MOTHER, MY FATHER, AND MY ELDER SISTER.
THEN, HIKARU HAS THE BIGGEST FAMILY...
SIX PEOPLE IN THE HOUSE...
NO, FIVE.
EH?

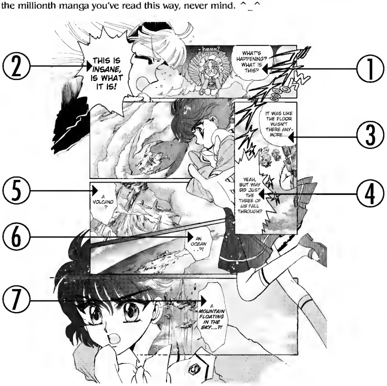

I DON'T HAVE DAD AROUND ANYMORE...
gasp
OH... I'M SORRY.
YOU SEE, MY DAD'S A KENDO INSTRUCTOR.
HE'S AWAY RIGHT NOW, GETTING MORE TRAINING.
THE LAST TIME I SAW HIM, I WAS STILL IN KINDERGARTEN.
WHEW
OH, OKAY.
LET ME GUESS... THE REASON HE HAD TO GO AND GET MORE TRAINING IS...
...YOU BEAT HIM WHILE YOU WERE STILL IN KINDERGARTEN, HA HA?
BINGO!!
Umi-chan,
海ちゃんビンゴ!!
slide
WOW! YOU HEARD THE STORY, UMI-CHAN?!
...DO YOU THINK MOKONA ALSO HAS A FAMILY...?
Puu.


Okay!
オーッ
EH? MOKONA'S FAMILY?
glow
THIS IS ANOTHER ONE FOR CLEF!
MOKONA IS THE ONLY SACRED BEAST OF CEFIRO.
OF COURSE HE DOESN'T HAVE A FAMILY!
つまらんことで呼び出すな娘ども!!
Are you done asking me stupid questions?!
REALLY?!
OH, YOU POOR THING! ALL ALONE, WITHOUT FAMILY!
DON'T WORRY, MOKONA! WE'LL BE YOUR BROS, DUDE!
Wait! We're girls! Okay, we'll be your sisters!
むぎゅう hug
ホホホ ho ho ho
Puu!
HOW NICE THAT MOKONA HAS FOUND A FAMILY AT LAST!

STOP!

THIS IS THE BACK OF THE BOOK!

This manga collection is translated into English, but arranged in right-to-left reading format to maintain the artwork's visual orientation as originally drawn and published in Japan. If you've never read comics this way before, take a look at the diagram below to give yourself an idea of how to go about it. Basically, you'll be starting in the upper right-hand corner, and will read each word balloon and panel moving right to left. It may take a little getting used to, but you should get the hang of it very quickly. Have fun! If this is the millionth manga you've read this way, never mind. ^_^



①
WHAT'S HAPPENING? WHAT IS THIS?
- hmmm?
②
THIS IS INSANE, IS WHAT IT IS!
③
IT WAS LIKE THE FLOOR WASN'T THERE ANY-MORE...
④
YEAH, BUT WHY DID JUST THE THREE OF US FALL THROUGH?
⑤
A VOLCANO ?
⑥
AN OCEAN ..?!
⑦
A MOUNTAIN FLOATING IN THE SKY...?!

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Magic Knight Rayearth

Swords and sorcery— shojo *style!!!*

Umi, Hikaru, and Fuu are three schoolgirls out on a field trip to Tokyo Tower . . . when suddenly a strange voice summons them to Cefiro, a world full of monsters and magic! They have been brought here as the last hope of the Princess Emeraude, who believes they are the Magic Knights, foretold in legend, who will save her realm. But how are a bunch of junior-high-school kids supposed to defeat the might of the handsome and sinister Lord Zagato . . . with only an exceedingly strange bunny creature named Mokona as their guide?

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